

Proceedings of the 4th meeting of RUSA Technical Support Group (TSG)

Proceedings of the 3rd meeting of RUSA Technical Support Group (TSG) held on 14.01.2016 at the conference hall of Karnataka State Higher Education Council under the Chairmanship of Dr.S.A.Kori, Executive Director, Karnataka State Higher Education Council.

Following members were present:

1. Sri Bharat Lal Meena, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Government of Karnataka.
2. Vice Chancellors, Registrars, RUSA Coordinators of Kannada University, Hampi; Gulbarga University, Kalaburgi; Karnataka State Women's University, Vijayapur and Davanagere University, Davanagere.
3. Dr. Bhagyawan S. Mudigoudra, State RUSA Nodal Officer, Bangalore.
4. Smt.Gayatri K.S., RUSA Nodal Officer, Department of Collegiate Education, Bangalore.
5. Sri.A.M.Bajedar,JD, Department of Technical Education, Bangalore.
6. Sri Ramesh L.S.,Special Officer,KSHEC.
7. Dr. Tejaswini B.Y., Special Officer,KSHEC

The Chairman welcomed the officials gathered in the meeting. members and congratulated the Universities and Government First Grade Colleges which have succeeded in getting funds under various components of RUSA in the 9th Meeting of Project Approval Board (PAB) held on 1st of December, 2015 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Department of Higher Education, MHRD, New Delhi. He applauded the efforts of Hon'ble Minister of Higher Education, Sri. Bharat Lal Meena,IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Higher Education, GOK: officials of Universities, DTE, DCE and KSHEC in this process .He briefed about the proposals submitted by the Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Karnataka, which were recommended for funding under RUSA.

- ❖ Sri. Bharat Lal Meena, IAS, Additional Chief Secretary, Department of Higher Education, GOK addressed the meeting as a special invitee. He said that the 4 Universities and Government First Grade Colleges which have succeeded in getting funds under various components of RUSA in the 9th Meeting of Project Approval Board (PAB) held on 1st of December, 2015 under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Department of Higher Education, MHRD, New Delhi should become smart educational institutions by implementing ICT initiatives launched by the Department of Higher Education effectively. He also advised all the universities to establish "Virtual Classrooms" and also to utilize the latest technologies to become the "Centres of Excellence". He also informed that the first instalment of grant can be utilized for ICT purposes. He said that the institutions should put RUSA nameplate on the items which they have purchased with RUSA grants. The name plate should be in the following format: RUSA funded /Name of the item/item number/ cost / year. He advised to organize Science Exhibitions in the universities on the previous day of Convocation. During Independence Day and Republic days such events should be organized for enhancing students' involvement in academic and co-curricular activities.

The presentation of the Chairman highlighted on the following issues:

❖ While utilizing the funds under Infrastructure Grants to Universities under **Component-3** and Infrastructure grants to Colleges under **Component-7** the following pattern should be followed:

1. 35% - Creation of New Facilities

- Hostels (Separate for boys and girls)- New Construction
- Toilets (separate for boys and girls)- New Construction
- Laboratory-New Construction

2. 35%-Up gradation / Renovation of Existing Facilities

- Academic Buildings- Renovation/Up gradation of Existing Buildings
- Administrative Buildings- Renovation/Up gradation of Existing Buildings
- Campus development- Renovation/Up gradation of Existing Buildings
- Hostels- Renovation/Up gradation of Existing Buildings
- Toilets- Renovation/Up gradation of Existing Buildings
- Library- Renovation/Up gradation of Existing Buildings/Facilities; Digitisation of Existing Resource/ Automation
- Classrooms- Renovation/Up gradation of Existing Building/Facilities; Technologically enabled classrooms
- Auditorium- Renovation/Up gradation of Existing Buildings/ Facilities
- Canteen/Cafeteria- Renovation/Up gradation of Existing Buildings/ Facilities
- Laboratory- Renovation/Up gradation of Existing Buildings; Repair works
- Computer Centre-Up scaling of existing network to enable Wi-Fi
- Playground- up gradation of Existing Facilities.

3. 30%-New Equipments and Purchases

- Sports facility- New equipments/facilities
- Computers- New equipments
- Books/Journals- Purchase of new books/
- E-Resources-Subscription of new journals.

Based on RUSA Guidelines, he briefed about the items on which funds can be utilized under all the above mentioned heads and clarified the queries of Vice Chancellors in this regard.

❖ The Chairman gave the following directions regarding RUSA bank accounts:

1. Under RUSA, a mandatory practice of joint signatories exists which should be in accordance with the RUSA guidelines on finance, accounting and fund flow. Hence institutions participating in the program shall maintain a separate joint account in the name of RUSA. Two of those can jointly sign cheques/issue electronic instruction for e-banking to operate bank account.
2. The account details should be shared with KSHEC, and any subsequent changes in account must be done in consultation with the KSHEC.
3. **No funds would be kept in the form of Fixed Deposit or any other investment of any nature other than the saving bank account.** Moreover, savings accounts should be simple savings bank accounts and not in smart savings bank accounts.
4. The releases made to institutions should be as per the approved Institutional Plans and after adjusting unspent balances from the previous year.

❖ He said that KSHEC will disburse Rs. 72 crores shortly to 4 universities and 32 GFGCs. Each University will receive Rs.10 crores and each college will receive Rs. 1 crore. They can book the expenditure on the construction, up gradation and purchase of new equipments between 01.04.2015-31.03.2016. He also advised that while procuring the items the institutions should adhere to KTPP rules. He suggested that the institutions can procure items as per GO NO/ED/45/HPC 2015, Bengaluru, dated: 29.09.2015.

Meeting ended with thanks to the Chair and the members.

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18.1.2016

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2. PS to Additional Chief Secretary, Higher Education Department, Government of Karnataka, M.S. Building, Bangalore-01.
3. PS to Commissioner, Department of Collegiate Education, Bangalore-01.
4. PS to Vice-Chancellors of Kannada University, Hampi; Gulbarga University, Kalaburgi; Karnataka State Women's University, Vijayapur and Davanagere University, Davanagere
5. Director, Department of Technical Education, Bangalore-01.
6. The Registrars of Kannada University, Hampi; Gulbarga University, Kalaburgi; Karnataka State Women's University, Vijayapur and Davanagere University, Davanagere
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