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असाधारण क्रमांक १८७

प्राधिकृत प्रकाशन

महाराष्ट्र शासनाने महाराष्ट्र अधिनियमांन्वये तयार केलेले
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HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Mantralaya, Madam Cama Marg, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk,
Mumbai 400 032, Dated the 22nd May 2023.

NOTIFICATION

MAHARASHTRA PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES ACT, 2016.

No. MISC 2023/C.R. 98/UE-3.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (*10*) of section 72 read with sub-sections (*2*) and (*3*) of section 123 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 (Mah. Act No. VI of 2017), the Government of Maharashtra hereby prescribes the Uniform Statute relating to norms and procedure for grant and continuation of status of empowered autonomous colleges, constitution of authorities and bodies and powers and functions of the empowered autonomous Colleges, namely:–

UNIFORM STATUTE No. 1 OF 2023

1. *Short title, application and commencement.*—

(*1*) This Statute may be called the Maharashtra Public Universities (Norms and Procedure for Grant and Continuation of Status of Empowered Autonomous Colleges, Constitution of Authorities and Bodies, and Powers and Functions of the Empowered Autonomous Colleges) Uniform Statute, 2023.

(*2*) This Statute shall apply to all affiliated autonomous colleges of the Universities in the State of Maharashtra under the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 (Mah. Act No. VI of 2017) seeking the conferment of empowered autonomous status.

(*3*) This Statute shall come into force from the date of publication of this notification in the *Maharashtra Government Gazette*.

2. *Eligibility.*—

The management of an affiliated autonomous college shall be eligible to apply to the University for grant of status of empowered autonomous college, if the affiliated autonomous college—

(*1*) has a valid accreditation issued by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) with a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 3.01 or above, or if at least sixty per cent. of the programs offered by the college have been accredited by the National Board of Accreditation (NBA) or corresponding accreditation Grade from any accreditation agency empanelled by the University Grants Commission; and

(*2*) has at least five years standing as an affiliated autonomous college.

3. *Procedure for Grant of Status of Empowered Autonomous College.*—

(*1*) The affiliated autonomous college desirous of having status of empowered autonomous college shall apply to the Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University in the form prescribed in the Annexure appended hereto, accompanied by the fees of Rupees Twenty-Five Thousand, which shall be increased by fifty per cent after every ten years.

(*2*) The affiliated autonomous college shall apply before the 31st May of the year from which it desires to have empowered autonomous status.

(*3*) (*a*) The Vice-Chancellor shall constitute an Expert Committee to examine the applications received during an academic year, consisting of the following members, namely:-

(*i*) Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University - Chairperson;

(*ii*) three experts out of the panel of experts nominated by the Academic Council of the University who shall be eminent educationist or scientist or industrialist;

(*iii*) one Principal or former Principal of the affiliated autonomous college or Director or former Director of the autonomous recognized institution;

(*iv*) Deputy Registrar of the Academic Section of the University shall act as the Secretary of the Expert Committee.

(*b*) Nominated members of the Expert Committee shall not be the members of the Board of Deans.

(*c*) The Expert Committee shall scrutinize all such applications and shall submit a report thereof to the Vice-Chancellor, with such recommendations, duly supported by relevant reasons as are deemed appropriate, within fifteen days from the date of receipt of an application.

(*4*) The report of the Expert Committee shall be placed by the Registrar before the Academic Council for its consideration.

(*5*) The Academic Council shall consider such application for grant of empowered autonomous status upon such college along with the report of the Expert Committee and make its recommendations to the Management Council.

(*6*) The Management Council may after considering the recommendations of the Academic Council may confer the autonomous status upon such college or may reject the application after recording the reasons therefor.

(*7*) The Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University shall notify and communicate the decision of the Management Council of the University regarding grant of status of empowered autonomous college to the applicant affiliated autonomous college concerned. If the Management Council decides to reject the application, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor shall inform the applicant about the rejection of such application along with the reasons therefor.

(*8*) Once the application is rejected, the University shall not entertain fresh application of the said affiliated autonomous college, before the expiry of one year from the date of rejection of such application.

(*9*) The entire process for grant of status of empowered autonomous college shall be completed and the affiliated autonomous college concerned shall be informed accordingly, on or before 30th June of the year in which such application is made.

(*10*) If the University fails to communicate its decision about grant of empowered autonomous college to the affiliated autonomous college concerned, within the time line mentioned in sub-clause (*9*) then the affiliated autonomous college concerned shall be deemed to have been conferred the status of empowered autonomous college by the University.

4. *Period of Grant of Status of Empowered Autonomous College.*—

The status of empowered autonomous college shall be granted to the affiliated autonomous college initially for a period of ten years at a time. The same may be continued for a further period of ten years, subject to the procedure prescribed and timelines indicated in clause 3.

5. *Constitution of Authorities and Bodies of the Empowered Autonomous College.*-

The authorities or bodies of the empowered autonomous college shall be as prescribed by the University Grants Commission, from time to time, for colleges having autonomous status.

6. *Powers and Functions of Empowered Autonomous College.*—

(*1*) The empowered autonomous college shall exercise the powers and perform the functions and carry out the administrative, academic, financial and other activities, as prescribed by the University Grants Commission for colleges having autonomous status, from time to time.

(*2*) The empowered autonomous college is empowered to grant a joint degree with the affiliating University. The degree certificate shall bear names and logos of the affiliating University and the empowered autonomous college.

(*3*) The empowered autonomous college shall enjoy all such privileges in addition to the privileges enjoyed by autonomous college as prescribed by the State Government and the University Grants Commission.

7. *General Provisions.*—

(*1*) The students may take up the study programme partly in one empowered autonomous college and partly in the other empowered autonomous college or empowered autonomous cluster institutions.

(*2*) The empowered autonomous college shall continue to be affiliated to the University concerned.

(*3*) All eligible students of the empowered autonomous cluster institutions shall be awarded a joint degree certificate bearing names and logos of the affiliating University and empowered autonomous cluster institutions, irrespective of dates of their admission to the course concerned.

(*4*) All provisions applicable to the autonomous affiliated colleges prescribed as per the University Grants Commission (Conferment of Autonomous Status upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous College) Regulations, 2023, as amended from time to time, shall be applicable to the empowered autonomous colleges.

(*5*) The State Government shall continue to release the same grants or funds to the Government aided empowered autonomous colleges as it had been releasing to them before the conferment of empowered autonomous status.

ANNEXURE

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF EMPOWERED AUTONOMOUS COLLEGE STATUS

[*See* clause *3*(*1*)]

Sr. No.	Particulars	Information	
1.	Name and Address of affiliated autonomous college		
2.	Contact details (Phone No., Email, etc.)		
3.	Affiliating University		
4.	Year of establishment of affiliated autonomous college		
5.	NAAC Accreditation (Copy to be enclosed)	Period of Validity	Grade
6.	NBA Accreditation (Copy to be enclosed)	Period of Validity	Grade
7.	Accreditation by any other Accreditation Agency (Copy to be enclosed)	Period of Validity	Grade
8.	Type of Autonomous Affiliated College (Government/Private Aided/Private Unaided)		
9.	Details of courses being run by affiliated autonomous college	Courses	Duration
10.	Details of fees paid for grant of empowered autonomous status		

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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

VIKAS CHANDRA RASTOGI,
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असाधारण क्रमांक १८९

प्राधिकृत प्रकाशन

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HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Mantralaya, Madam Cama Marg, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk,
Mumbai 400 032, dated the 22nd May 2023.

NOTIFICATION

MAHARASHTRA PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES ACT, 2016.

No. MISC 2023/CR. 98/UE-3.– In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (*10*) of section 72 read with sub-sections (*2*) and (*3*) of section 124 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 (Mah. Act No. VI of 2017), the Government of Maharashtra hereby prescribes the uniform Statute relating to norms and procedure for grant and continuation of status of empowered autonomous cluster institutions, constitution of authorities and bodies and powers and functions of the empowered autonomous cluster institutions, namely:–

UNIFORM STATUTE No. 2 OF 2023

1. *Short title, application and commencement*.–

(*1*) This Statute may be called the Maharashtra Public Universities (Norms and Procedure for Grant and Continuation of Status of Empowered Autonomous Cluster Institutions, Constitution of Authorities and Bodies, and Powers and Functions of the Empowered Autonomous Cluster Institutions) Uniform Statute, 2023.

(*2*) This Statute shall apply to all affiliated autonomous colleges of the Universities in the State of Maharashtra under the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 (Mah. Act No. VI of 2017) seeking the conferment of status of empowered autonomous cluster institution.

(*3*) This Statute shall come into force from the date of publication of this notification in the *Maharashtra Government Gazette*.

2. *Eligibility*.–

The management of a group of affiliated autonomous colleges or autonomous recognized institutions shall be eligible to apply to the University for grant of status of empowered autonomous cluster institutions, to such group of affiliated autonomous colleges or recognized autonomous institutions, if all such affiliated autonomous colleges or recognized autonomous institutions –

(*1*) have a valid accreditation issued by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) with a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 3.01 or above, or if at least sixty per cent. of the programs offered by the college or institution have been accredited by the National Board of Accreditation (NBA) or corresponding accreditation Grade from any accreditation agency empanelled by the University Grants Commission; and

(*2*) have at least five years standing as an autonomous affiliated college or autonomous recognized institution.

3. *Procedure for Grant of Status of Empowered Autonomous Cluster Institutions.*–

(*1*) A group of affiliated autonomous colleges or autonomous recognized institutions desirous of having status of empowered autonomous cluster institutions shall apply to the Pro-Vice-Chancellor of the University in the Form prescribed in the Annexure appended hereto, accompanied by the fees of Rupees Twenty Five Thousand, which shall be increased by fifty per cent. after every ten years.

(*2*) The procedure prescribed in the Maharashtra Public Universities (Norms and Procedure for Grant and Continuation of Status of Empowered Autonomous Colleges, Constitution of Authorities and Bodies, and Powers and Functions of the Empowered Autonomous Colleges) Uniform Statutes, 2023, shall apply, mutatis-mutandis, for the grant of status of empowered autonomous cluster institutions to the group of autonomous affiliated colleges or autonomous recognized institutions.

4. *Period of Grant of Status of Empowered Autonomous Cluster Institutions.*–

The status of empowered autonomous cluster institutions shall be granted to the group of affiliated autonomous colleges or recognized autonomous institutions, initially for a period of ten years at a time. The same may be continued for a further period of ten years, subject to the procedure prescribed in clause 3.

5. *Continuation of Status of Empowered Autonomous Cluster Institutions*.–

The procedure prescribed in the Maharashtra Public Universities (Norms and Procedure for Grant and Continuation of Status of Empowered Autonomous Colleges, Constitution of Authorities and Bodies, and Powers and Functions of the Empowered Autonomous Colleges) Uniform Statutes, 2023, shall apply, mutatis-mutandis, for continuation of status of empowered autonomous cluster institutions granted to the group of affiliated autonomous colleges or recognized institutions of the same management.

6. *Constitution of Authorities and Bodies of the Empowered Autonomous Cluster Institutions*.–

The authorities or bodies of the empowered autonomous cluster institutions shall be,

as prescribed by the University Grants Commission, from time to time, for colleges having autonomous status.

7. *Powers and Functions of Empowered Autonomous Cluster Institutions.*–

(*1*) The empowered autonomous cluster institutions shall exercise the powers and perform the functions and carry out the administrative, academic, financial and other activities as prescribed by the University Grants Commission for colleges having autonomous status.

(*2*) The empowered autonomous cluster institutions are empowered to grant a joint degree with the affiliating University. The degree certificate shall bear names and logos of the affiliating University and empowered autonomous cluster institutions.

(*3*) The empowered autonomous cluster institutions shall enjoy all such privileges as prescribed by the State Government and the University Grants Commission, in addition to the privileges enjoyed by an autonomous affiliated college or an autonomous recognized institution.

8. *General Provisions*–

(*1*) The students may take up the study programme partly in some empowered autonomous cluster institutions and partly in the some other empowered autonomous cluster institutions or empowered autonomous college.

(*2*) The empowered autonomous cluster institutions shall continue to be affiliated to or recognized by the University concerned.

(*3*) All eligible students of the empowered autonomous cluster institutions shall be awarded a joint degree certificate bearing names and logos of the affiliating University and empowered autonomous cluster institutions, irrespective of dates of their admission to the course concerned.

(*4*) The individual autonomous affiliated college or recognized institution shall retain its original identity after grant of status of empowered autonomous cluster institutions.

(*5*) All facilities under individual affiliated autonomous college or recognized autonomous institution, such as housekeeping, security services, library, sports, laboratories, parking, ground and classes, shall come under the umbrella of the empowered autonomous cluster institutions. Facilities in individual affiliated autonomous colleges or recognized autonomous institutions shall be put to optimum utilization for the overall benefit of students in the empowered autonomous cluster institutions so that the expenditure on separate resources is curtailed and a common pool can benefit all the students.

(*6*) All provisions applicable to the affiliated autonomous colleges prescribed as per the University Grants Commission (Conferment of Autonomous Status upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous College) Regulations, 2023, as amended from time to time, shall be applicable to the empowered autonomous cluster institutions.

(*7*) The State Government shall continue to release the same grants or funds to the government aided autonomous affiliated colleges or recognized institutions as it had been releasing to them before the conferment of status of empowered autonomous cluster institutions.

ANNEXURE

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR GRANT OF EMPOWERED AUTONOMOUS CLUSTER INSTITUTIONS STATUS

[*See* clause *3(1)*]

Sr. No.	Particulars	Information	
1.	Name and Address of each affiliated autonomous college/ recognized autonomous institution		
2.	Contact details (Phone No., Email, etc.)		
3.	Affiliating University		
4.	Years of establishment of each affiliated autonomous colleges/ recognized autonomous institution		
5.	NAAC Accreditation (Copy to be enclosed) (of each affiliated autonomous college/ recognized autonomous institution)	Period of Validity	Grade
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8.	Type of each affiliated autonomous college/ recognized autonomous institution (Government/Private Aided/Private Unaided)		
9.	Details of courses being run by each affiliated autonomous college/ recognized autonomous institution	Courses	Duration
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Chairman/Secretary of the
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By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

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Principal Secretary to Government.

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Mumbai 400 032, dated the 22nd May 2023.

NOTIFICATION

MAHARASHTRA PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES ACT, 2016.

No. MISC. 2023/C.R. 98/UE-3.—In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (*10*) of section 72 read with sub-section (*7*) of section 71 and section 122 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 (Mah. Act No. VI of 2017), the Government of Maharashtra hereby prescribes the Uniform Statute relating to the norms for grant of autonomy to affiliated colleges, recognized institutions, conducted colleges and constituent colleges of the Universities, namely:—

UNIFORM STATUTE No. 3 OF 2023

1. *Short title and application*.—

(*1*) This Statute may be called the Maharashtra Public Universities (Norms for Grant of Autonomy to Affiliated Colleges, Recognized Institutions, Conducted Colleges and Constituent Colleges) Uniform Statute, 2023.

(*2*) This Statute shall apply to all colleges which are affiliated to or institutions recognized by the Universities or to the conducted colleges or constituent colleges of the Universities in the State of Maharashtra under the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016, seeking the conferment of autonomous status.

2. *Provisions for Conferment of Autonomous Status and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges and Institutions*.—

(*1*) The provisions of the University Grants Commission (Conferment of Autonomous Status upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023, as amended from time to time, shall apply to all affiliated colleges, recognized institutions, conducted colleges and constituent colleges of the universities seeking the conferment of autonomous status.

(2) On and from the date of its publication of this Statute in the *Maharashtra Government Gazette*, the Maharashtra Public Universities (Norms for Grant of Autonomy to Affiliated Colleges, Recognized Institutions and Conducted or Constituent Colleges) Uniform Statute, 2018 (Uniform Statute No. 3 of 2019), shall stand repealed.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

VIKAS CHANDRA RASTOGI,
Principal Secretary to Government.

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