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EMBLEM OF APSCHE

- **Books**: The books in the emblem are representing *Knowledge*
- **Blossom**: The blossom in the emblem is representing *Wisdom*
- **The 3rd Eye**: The 3rd Eye in the emblem is representing *the Monitoring Agent*
- **Flame**: The flame in the emblem is representing *the Light of Wisdom & Knowledge*

Accessible and affordable higher education ensuring accountability

**Perspective plan for effective governance in higher education**

**Strengthening institutional networking and global linkages**

**Curricular restructuring and technology enabled learning**

**Human resource potential enrichment**

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INTRODUCTION
1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 About APSCHE

The Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education (APSCHE) came into existence w.e.f. 20/05/1988 through Act 16 of 1988 to advise the government in matters relating to higher education in the state and to oversee its development with perspective planning and, for matters connected therewith and incidental thereto.

The Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education, the first of its kind in the country, set up as per the recommendations of the National Education Policy 1986, is primarily a coordinating body between the University Grants Commission (UGC), the State Government and the Universities. It is the general duty of the Council to coordinate and determine standards in institutions of Higher Education, Research, Scientific and Technical Institutions in accordance with the guidelines issued by the University Grants Commission from time to time.

After the bifurcation of the erstwhile state of Andhra Pradesh into State of Andhra Pradesh and State of Telangana in accordance with APRO Act 6 of 2014, the headquarters of APSCHE substituted as State Capital of Andhra Pradesh and deleted the representation of Osmania and Kakatiya Universities from the composition of Council Vide G.O.Ms.No. 35 Higher Education (MC) Department dated 01/06/2016.

1.2 Composition of APSCHE

The Council consists of:

(I) Full Time Members
   a. Chairman
   b. Vice-Chairman - I
   c. Vice-Chairman - II

(II) Ex-Officio Members
   a. The Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department
   b. The Secretary to Government, Finance Department
   c. The Secretary to Government, Labour, Employment and Technical Edn.
   d. The Secretary, University Grants Commission
e. Vice-Chancellors of Andhra University, Sri Venkateswara University, Acharya Nagarjuna University, Sri Krishnadevarya University, JNT University Kakinada and JNT University Ananthapur

(III) Other Members

a. Four Eminent Educationists
b. One Representative of Industry
c. One Technical Expert
d. Two Other Persons

1.3 Structure of APSCHE
PLANNING AND COORDINATION
2. PLANNING AND COORDINATION

2.1 Sanction of New Educational Institutions

2.1.1 Sanction of New Private Unaided Degree Colleges and Courses:
One of the functions of the AP State Council of Higher Education as defined in its Act under Planning & Coordination is “to formulate the principles as per the guidelines of the government and to decide upon, approve and sanction new educational institutions by according to permission keeping in view the various norms and requirements to be fulfilled” under 11(2) of APSCHE Act 16 of 1988.

The Government has delegated the powers to grant permission for starting of New Private Unaided Degree Colleges / Courses and Post Graduate Courses to Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education through G.O.Ms.No.278 Education dated 24/07/1995.

2.1.2 Rules for sanction of New Law Colleges / Courses:
The Government of Andhra Pradesh has delegated the powers to accord the administrative sanctions for the establishment of Law Colleges, starting Private Unaided New Law Colleges / Courses in terms of G.O.Ms.No.224 Higher Education Department dated 16/07/1999.

2.1.3 Procedure to accord approvals to Private Un-Aided Degree Colleges, PG and UG Courses
The Government vide G.O.Ms.No.278 dated Education (U.E.II-2) Department dated 24/07/1995 has delegated the powers to APSCHE for sanction of New Private Unaided Degree Colleges and Courses. The processing of the proposals involves the following:

2.1.4 Processing of proposals:
(a) Time Schedule:
APSCHE announces time schedule for various stages involved in granting permission to the colleges i.e. notification, opening of online applications, last date of submission of applications, prima-facie scrutiny of proposals, joint inspections, issuance of permissions, affiliation etc., the proposals are processed as per the schedule and the permission orders are issued in the month of June and affiliation is granted in the month of July each year.
(b) **Underserved Areas:**
With a view to make Higher Education accessible to the students living in remote, backward places, State Council of Higher Education through a committee constituted to conduct survey and, in consultation with the Universities identifies underserved areas in each of the ten University areas which require establishment of a Degree College. Private agencies who come forward to start Colleges / Courses in such areas are given certain concessions with regard to building accommodation and corpus fund.

(c) **Prima-facie scrutiny:**
APSCHE arranges prima-facie scrutiny of all the registered applications as per the norms and fulfilment of prescribed conditions as envisaged in the Government Orders i.e., registration of Educational Society, payment of prescribed amount of corpus fund, payment of financial resources (as per the courses to be started), providing required extent of own land and own, rented building accommodation.

(d) **Joint Inspection:**
Based on the recommendations of the prima-facie scrutiny committee, the APSCHE arranges Joint Inspections of the proposed colleges to examine their feasibility with the following as members of a Joint Inspection Committee (JIC).

1. A nominee of the APSCHE (Convener)
2. A nominee of the University
3. A nominee of the CCE

The Dean, College Development Council of the University concerned co-ordinates the Joint Inspections.

(e) **Granting Permission:**
Based on the factual report of the JIC, the scrutiny committee of APSCHE scrutinizes the JIC reports and recommends whether the proposal of the private agency is to be considered for starting a New Private Unaided Degree College or Course. APSCHE grants permissions to the concerned private agency to start the colleges / courses keeping in view factual report of JIC, recommendations of the Vice-Chancellor concerned.

(f) **Sending Rejection Letters:**
Proposals of colleges which are rejected by the APSCHE based on the report of JIC and recommendations of scrutiny committee of APSCHE will be communicated the reasons for rejecting their proposal.
(g) **Affiliation:**
The concerned University after verifying the satisfactory compliance of the post conditions by the private agency grants temporary affiliation to the college.

According to the procedure, the Council accords permission to the New Private Unaided Private Degree Colleges and Courses, PG Courses in the existing UG Colleges. The Council has been according permission for Private Unaided Law Colleges and Courses from the year 1999-2000 onwards in accordance with G.O Ms.No.224 HE (UE-II-2) Department dated 16/07/1999.

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2.2 **Starting of New Private Un-Aided Degree Colleges for the academic year 2014-2015**

The Council issued notification, as per resolution in 97th Meeting held on 25/02/2014, to invite applications for starting of New Private Un-Aided Degree Colleges for the academic year 2014-2015. The Chairman, AP State Council of Higher Education constituted a committee to examine the demand from public, NGO’s and people representatives for including more Mandals to establish New Private Un-Aided Degree Colleges for the academic year 2014-2015. The committee examined the representations under each University jurisdiction and recommended 16 Mandals, which may be considered in addition to already identified list for the establishment of New Private Unaided Degree Colleges for the academic year 2014-15. Based on the committee report, a notification has been released on 19/02/2014 to invite applications for starting of New Private Un-Aided Degree Colleges for the academic year 2014-2015. In response to the notifications, the university-wise status of processing of applications is presented below.

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<td>Guntur</td>
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<td>Sri Krishnadevaraya</td>
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The applications were scrutinized by duly constituted Prima-Facie scrutiny committees and the applicant societies were invited for Counselling to verify the all original documents and to comply the deficiencies pointed out by the Prima-Facie Scrutiny committee between 22nd April and 25th April 2014. JIC’s for eligible applicant societies may be constituted in the 3rd week of May 2014.

2.3 Starting PG Courses in Private Degree Colleges during the academic year 2014-15

The Council issued a notification inviting applications for starting PG Courses in Private Unaided Degree Colleges in the State for the Academic year 2014-15. In response to the notification, a total number of 116 proposals have been received for starting of New Unaided PG Courses during the academic year 2014-15. The status of proposals for starting PG Courses in the existing Private Unaided Degree Colleges for the academic year 2013-2014 is given below indicating the number of applications received Region wise, University wise & District wise.

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2.4 Preparation of Finance and Accounting Rules of the Universities

The Public Accounts Committee, in its Meeting held on 22/08/2012 to review the explanatory notes on audit paras of C&AG, has expressed dissatisfaction for the poor state of accounting system and certain academic matters on which serious irregularities have been pointed out by the C&AG. The 92nd Meeting of the Council held on 28/09/2012 has considered and resolved to constitute an Expert Committee to examine the Common Finance and Accounting Rules of Karnataka State and make recommendations to apply such rules to the Universities in Andhra Pradesh so as to bring uniformity in accounting matters and also transparency in the system and if necessary, by bringing an amendment to the relevant section in the A.P. Universities Act and also other specialized Universities Act under the jurisdiction of Higher Education Dept. In compliance of the resolution, the Council has constituted a committee with the
following experts to prepare Finance and Accounting Rules common to all the Universities.

(1) **Prof. C.R. Visweswara Rao**, Former Vice-Chancellor, Vikrama Simhapuri Univ.
(2) **Prof. G.V. Bhavani Prasad**, Prof. of Management, Kakatiya University
(3) **Sri P. Subrahmanyam**, Formerly Sr. Audit Officer, A.G. Audit & Finance Officer of KU & FO, Dr. BRAOU,
(4) **Sri. S. Lakshminarayana**, Joint Registrar (Retd.) & Finance Officer, Osmania University

The Committee examined the (i) Finance & Accounting Rules of Bangalore University (ii) UGC documents on such Rules to Central Universities, and (iii) Earlier Report of the Council on Financial Management of the Universities (iv) Codes of Andhra Pradesh Government (v) latest procedure of remittance of fees through online transfers and (vi) e-tendering process for execution of works and purchases etc. The Committee prepared Common Finance and Accounting Rules to the Universities in the State and also recommends that:

(1) The Government of Andhra Pradesh may incorporate suitable provisions in the respective University Acts to give effect to these Common Financial and Accounting Rules.
(2) Computerization of Finance and Accounting System may be taken up as a logical step in the direction of implementation of the provisions of this manual. This would ensure that the Universities will have sound financial information system and e-governance.
(3) For the proper understanding and implementation of the provisions of this manual entitled *Common Finance and Accounting Rules for Universities in the State of Andhra Pradesh*, training programs/workshops may be organized for the non-teaching staff of the Universities and the teaching staff associated with administrative responsibilities.

The AP State Council of Higher Education communicated the Finance and Accounting Rules to all the Universities in the State.

### 2015-16

#### 2.5 Sanction of New Private Un-Aided Degree Colleges for 2015-16

2.5.1 The A.P State Council of Higher Education has issued notification on 07/04/2015 to invite applications for starting of New Private Un-Aided Degree Colleges, Post Graduate and Under Graduate courses for the academic year 2015-16. The applications received in response to the notification were scrutinized by duly constituted Prima-Facie
scrutiny committees. The applicant societies were invited for counseling to verify all the original documents and to comply with the deficiencies pointed out by the Prima-Facie scrutiny committee between 12th June and 14th June, 2015.

2.5.2 The applicant societies which were sanctioned New Private Unaided Degree Colleges, existing Private Unaided Degree and PG Colleges which were sanctioned UG and PG Courses, university wise, with effect from 2015-16 and proposals received for shifting of colleges / change of management and permission accorded are given in the following table.

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2.6 Committee to review the rules and procedures for sanction of New Private Unaided Degree Colleges and Courses / Shifting of Colleges / Conversion of Colleges / Change of Managements etc.: The A P State Council of Higher Education has constituted a Committee, vide APSCHE/AC/Colleges-Commit/2015 dated 09/11/2015, consisting of the following members to review the existing guidelines / rules for according approvals to start new
College, UG & PG courses, Shifting of Colleges, Change of Managements, Conversion of Colleges and Courses; and to prepare consolidated rules keeping in view the existing G.Os on these subjects and the prevailing situation in the higher education sector.

1. **Prof C R Visweswara Rao**, former Vice-Chancellor, Vikram Simhapuri Univ.
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3. **Prof P S N Reddy**, Professor of Chemistry (Retd.), Osmania University
4. **Sri C Sudesh Anand**, Former Standing Counsel, APSCHE
5. **Secretary**, AP State Council of Higher Education, Hyderabad

The Committee is expected to submitted its report in 2016.

### 2.7 Sanction of new private un-aided degree colleges for 2016-17

#### 2.7.1 Issuance of notification for establishment of New Private Unaided Degree Colleges in 2016:

2.7.1.1 The A.P State Council of Higher Education has issued notification dated 12/04/2016 inviting applications for starting of New UG Courses / Additional sections / Conversion / Change of combination / Withdrawal / Change of medium in Private Un-aided Degree Colleges and PG courses from the academic year 2016-17. Three year Honours programme at under graduation level in B.A., and B.Sc. courses from 2016-17 was also notified in the following subjects:

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2.7.1.2 In response to the notification of the Council, 116 proposals with respect to UG courses and 15 proposals with respect to PG Courses have been received from 10 Universities. After prima facie scrutiny of documents and counseling for rectification of deficiencies by the Managements, JICs were drafted for the verification of original documents and infrastructure facilities provided by the Colleges. The University wise details of colleges to which JICs were drafted are furnished hereunder:
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2.8 Review of rules and procedures for sanction of New Private Unaided Degree Colleges and Courses / Shifting of Colleges / Conversion of Colleges / Change of Managements etc.:

2.8.1 The A.P. State Council of Higher Education has constituted a Committee; vide APSCHE/AC/Colleges Committee/2015 dated 09/11/2015, consisting of the following members to review the existing guidelines / rules for according approvals to start new College, UG & PG courses, Shifting of Colleges, Change of Managements, Conversion of Colleges and Courses; and to prepare consolidated rules keeping in view the existing G.Os on these subjects and the prevailing situation in the higher education sector.

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The Committee had interaction with stake holders and officials of the Universities. The Committee submitted its report on 20/06/2016 to the APSCHE.
2.8.2 The 99th Meeting of the Council held on 30th June, 2016 and the Council has approved the recommendations of the Report of the Committee. The Recommendations of the Committee are:

(i) The universities will do the need analysis based on the approved guidelines and formats to facilitate notification by the APSCHE 

(ii) The university should
a. Maintain a database for all the affiliated colleges under its jurisdiction along with the institutional history including deficiencies
b. Devise a common format for capturing the data pertaining to demand and supply details of admissions in each course / college under its jurisdiction
c. Evolve a policy on the maximum number of sections permissible for a course in a college
d. Educate the college managements on NAAC accreditation and increase quality awareness among the stake-holders by conducting seminars / workshops
e. Maintain a list of performing and under-performing colleges under its jurisdiction based on certain defined criteria
f. Evolve clear guidelines, norms and monitoring mechanism for the appointment of qualified teachers in the affiliated colleges
g. Review and strengthen the procedure for ratification of teacher appointments in the colleges
h. Ensure that the teachers working in private unaided colleges are paid salaries on par with those recommended by the Government / CCE for a similar category of teachers
i. Provide e-classroom experience to the students of affiliated colleges
j. Make provision for the clustering of colleges for drawing upon a common pool for quality improvement
k. Obtain an Annual Report from each of the affiliated colleges in an appropriate format. The Annual Report should reflect the academic and extra-curricular activities of the college. Submission of the Annual Report should be mandatory for the grant of affiliation in the subsequent year
l. A review of the Annual Report shall be made by the university based on which corrective / remedial measures will be initiated for quality improvement
(iii) The University website and the College website should both display the Report of the Affiliation Committee containing the strengths and deficiencies of the college in a given year and the rectification measures / status as reported by the Committee in a subsequent year

(iv) Temporary affiliation may be granted for a period 2/3 years if the college has complied with the university norms fully, and no deficiencies are reported by the inspection committees

(v) The affiliating university should help a college / group of colleges to conduct seminars / workshops on criteria for NAAC assessment / teacher training / integrating technology / development and use of the new pedagogical tools by investing a portion of the affiliation fees on such programmes meant for quality improvement of the colleges

(vi) The affiliating universities should insist upon all colleges which have completed 10 or more years of existence as on June 2016 to seek NAAC accreditation

(vii) Distance education programmes offered by the Universities must fall in line with the general universities in the implementation of the semester system and the CBCS, and the course structure and the syllabus should be the same for the conventional courses and distance education programmes

(viii) The affiliating university shall, either alone or through the consortium approach, develop context-based curricular structures / course modules and relate them to skills and the industry / employment requirements and help students acquire real-time understanding of products and processes through internships and training

(ix) Universities should meet the challenges of the private university and make the end result of the pursuit of knowledge a treasure within

(x) The result of the implementation of the CBCS and other modes should be to promote creative thinking, critical analysis, empathy, and decision-making, reconciling learning to live and learning to be

Responsibilities of the Colleges:

(i) Each affiliated college should maintain a website with a linkage to the university website

(ii) The colleges should establish a system of SWOC analysis on the lines of the IQAC and guide themselves in the direction of self-reform with the Universities providing a resource base for it

(iii) Colleges in a local region may form themselves, under the guidance of the University, into a cluster for sharing of resources such as faculty, laboratory, library, auditorium, seminar hall, playground, etc., without compromising on
fulfilling the basic requirements of affiliation so as to bring about qualitative improvement in their performance

Other matters:

(i) APSCHE should devise a suitable application form for every conceivable request from a Trust / Society / College. The application should be devised in such a way that all the relevant and necessary background information concerning the request shall be incorporated in it. The request will be processed on submission of all details in the prescribed application within the time stipulated. No request on plain paper shall be entertained.

(ii) All the applications meant for various stages from the establishment to affiliation of an institution and beyond shall be on-line. The columns relating to important information should be devised in such a way that non-submission or irrelevant information shall render the application invalid and automatically rejected.

(iii) The time-lines from the issue of notification to according sanction for the starting of colleges / UG Courses / PG courses / Shifting of Colleges / Change of Managements / Conversion of Colleges / Courses / Sanction of additional sections or seats, shall be notified by APSCHE such that the entire process is completed before 30th April of every year.

(iv) To minimize legal wrangles in matters of starting new colleges / UG Courses / PG courses / Shifting of Colleges / Change of Managements / Conversion of Colleges / Courses / Sanction of additional seats, the APSCHE may institute an “Appellate Authority” on the lines of the “Ombudsman” as suggested by the UGC for universities. The Council may formulate the guidelines for the composition, appointment, functions, and powers of the Appellate Authority.

2.9 Committee to revise the rules for starting of New Private Un-Aided Law Colleges and courses

The A.P. State Council of Higher Education has constituted a Committee on 15.6.2016 to prepare revised rules and formats for according approval to new private unaided law colleges and courses.

1. **Prof. N. Rangaiah**  
   Retired Professor of Law and Former Registrar  
   Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur

2. **Dr. Ch. Sudhakar Babu**  
   Principal, JC College of Law, Guntur
The Committee submitted its report on 12/07/2016. The recommendations of the Committee are:

(i) A set of rules for according permission to start New Private Unaided Law Colleges by APSCHE in the State of Andhra Pradesh and accordingly draft rules to be issued by the Government of Andhra Pradesh in the form of a G.O. has been recommended.

(ii) The draft rules contain, in addition to the conditions to be fulfilled for starting new law colleges in the State of AP, the procedure to be adopted for according permissions by APSCHE. The draft rules also include

   a. the time schedule to be adopted for this purpose
   b. the application form, along with the undertaking by the sponsoring educational institutions
   c. the documents to be enclosed with the application and the
   d. the format of inspection report by the JIC.

The draft rules contain procedures for grant of permission to start new courses or additional sections in the existing law colleges. The same are enclosed to this report.

(iii) Finally, since the Committee has also been asked to suggest the strategy to be followed for improving the quality in private unaided law colleges in the State, after careful deliberation recommends the following measures for improving the standards in the legal education in the State.

   (a) There is a dire need to prepare and recommend detailed curriculum, along with a program structure, that may be adopted by the respective universities in their Boards of Studies for both 3-year and 5-year law programs. For this purpose, to ensure standards, uniformity and a local flavour by recommending certain important State enactments in the curriculum, the APSCHE may constitute an expert committee to function as a Curriculum Development Committee (CDC) which will recommend the program structure and detailed curriculum for the guidance of the Universities in the State.

   (b) At present, in Law Colleges in some cities / towns in the State, there is an imbalance between the demand for legal education and the availability of seats in the 3-year and 5-year law programs. The imbalance is so huge that in some law colleges having a sanctioned strength of about 300 seats, the Convener LAWCET 2015 could not fill even five (5) seats from the candidates declared eligible in the LAWCET 2015 and the College Managements filled the remaining seats with candidates from outside the State of Andhra Pradesh, who were not qualified in the LAWCET examination. Therefore, there is a need to review the sanctioned strength of many such law colleges in the state in the light of the filling up of
those seats by the Convener during the last five years or so. This fact may also be brought to the notice of the BCI with a request to review the sanctioned strength of the Law Colleges in the State.

(c) Further, it is recommended that to ensure proper attendance of the students to the Law Colleges, APSCHE and the concerned Universities may conduct frequent surprise checks to verify the genuineness of admissions as well as the regular attendance of the students to the Law Colleges. The APSCHE may prevail over the Universities and Private Law Colleges to implement the system of marking daily attendance of students through Bio-metrics. It is also necessary that the Universities shall ensure that examinations are conducted in a fair manner and for this purpose, the College may be required to arrange CC cameras in the examinations halls so as to prevent any examination malpractices.

(d) The APSCHE and the Universities may prepare a panel of Experts consisting of experienced Law Professors, Judges and Senior Advocates and lectures by such experts on some important topics may be video recorded and made available to all the Law Colleges in the State.

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2.10 Sanction of New Private Un-aided Degree Colleges for the academic year 2017-18

The A.P State Council of Higher Education has issued Notification dated 29/03/2017 inviting online applications for starting of New Private Unaided Degree Colleges in 151 mandals, New UG Courses / Additional sections / Conversion / Change of combination / Withdrawal / Change of medium in existing Private Un-aided Degree Colleges and PG courses from the academic year 2017-18. In response to the notification of the Council, the details of proposals received, processed and sanctioned University wise are given hereunder:

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**PG Courses-2017-18**
2.11 Committee to examine the issue of 4 Year integrated B.Sc., B.Ed., and B.A., B.Ed., Program

The AP State Council of Higher Education has constituted a Committee, on 29/12/2017 with the Members as detailed hereunder to examine the issues, academic and infrastructure requirement, evolve modalities for integration and admission into 4 year integrated B.Sc. B.Ed., and B.A. B.Ed., program.

1. Prof. N. Venkat Rao, Professor of Education, Andhra University,
2. Prof. B.N. Panda, Professor of Education, Regional Institute of Edn. Bhubaneswar
3. Prof. V. Sudhakar, Professor of Education, CEIFL, Hyderabad
4. Dr. G. Bhuvaneswara Lakshmi, Principal, YV Siddardha College of Edn. Vijayawada
5. Dr. T. Swaroopa Rani, Principal, St. Joseph’s College of Edn. Guntur
6. Smt. B.S. Selina, Assistant Professor in English, APSCHE

The Committee submitted its report on 06/01/2018. The recommendations of the Committee are:

1. The 4-year integrated teacher education program shall be offered in the Colleges having (a) NAAC accreditation with A or B grading or (b) UGC recognition with the existence of more than 15 years having own accommodation and offering liberal disciplines in arts and science streams.
2. The NCTE Regulations of 4 Yr. Integrated Teacher Education Program shall be adopted and followed strictly for providing instructional and infrastructural facilities.
3. The administrative sanction to accord approvals for offering 4-year integrated teacher education program i.e. B.Sc. B.Ed., and B.A., B.Ed. may be delegated to AP State Council of Higher Education. This recommendation is in accordance with the Justice Verma Commission on Teacher Education programs.
4. The AP State Council of Higher Education may constitute subject expert committees to examine the existing available curriculum and prepare a model.
curriculum under NCTE framework for 4-year integrated teacher education program and submit the same to the Council by April, 2018.

5. The 4 Year integrated teacher education program shall not be offered in stand-alone Colleges of Education and / or composite institutions without having 3 Yr. Degree program in Science and Arts streams.

6. The said program shall not be offered in the composite colleges without providing required instructional and infrastructural facilities as recommended by NCTE.

7. The students who completed B.A. B.Ed., and B.Sc. B.Ed. shall be allowed to pursue PG in the relevant branch of learning and / or M.Ed.

8. The NCTE and the Government may be requested to incorporate B.Sc. B.Ed., and B.A. B.Ed., as one of the qualifications for recruitment of teachers in Schools and or any other post.


10. 215 working days in an academic year shall be prescribed as instructional working days to offer 4-year integrated teacher education program i.e. B.Sc. B.Ed., and B.A. B.Ed.,

11. 4 Year integrated teacher education program shall be offered only in the composite colleges where 3-year Degree program is offered with a view to tap the teaching faculty as extended faculty from liberal arts and science departments to teach B.Sc. B.Ed., and BA B.Ed., program.

12. The AP State Council of Higher Education may convene the Meeting with the Vice-Chancellors of the Universities with the Principal Secretary of Higher Education to make them aware the philosophy and framework of the program.

13. The AP State Council of Higher Education may also convene the meeting of the Deans, Faculty of Education, Faculty of Science and Faculty of Arts to make them aware the philosophy, implications of the program and framework of the program.

14. The AP State Council of Higher Education may invite three members of the Committee to present the concept of 4-year integrated teacher education program in the meeting of the Vice-Chancellors and Deans.

2.12 Committee to review the implementation of Rule 9 (2) (b) of G.O.Ms.No. 29 dated 05/02/1987

Government has issued G.O.Ms.No. 29 dated 05/02/1987 wherein the Rule 9 (2) (b) stipulated certain conditions for withdrawal of recognition and affiliation to those colleges functioning in the rented / leased buildings beyond 10 years. Certain Colleges filed Writ Petition in 2004 on implementation of Rule 9 (2) (b) and the Hon’ble Court
pronounced judgment that the Rule 9 (2) (b) is mandatory and declared that the recognition / affiliation be withdrawn to those Colleges which failed to shift to own building after completion of 10 years of their existence and to initiate action against the Officers concerned in the Universities for violation of this rule.

The AP State Council of Higher Education issued notifications to Colleges functioning in the rented / leased buildings to apply for Extension of Permission with a view to give sufficient time to shift them into own building and to obtain accreditation and UGC recognition so as to get UGC funds under 12 (B) and additional funds under Potential for Excellence. However, the Colleges did not apply for EoP or submit an application to shift into own building. The AP State Council of Higher Education issued Show Cause Notices to 462 Colleges for non-compliance of Rule 9 (2) (b) of G.O.Ms.No. 29 dated 05/02/1987 and the judgment of Hon’ble High Court. The Colleges which were issued Show Cause Notices in April, 2017, University-wise are given hereunder:

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<tr>
<th>Name of the University</th>
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<td>Rayalaseema University</td>
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<td>Vikrama Simhapuri University</td>
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<td><strong>Total</strong></td>
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The AP State Council of Higher Education has constituted a Committee, with the following members, on 18/05/2017 to review the implementation of Rule 9 (2) (b) of G.O.Ms.No. 29 dated 05/02/1987 and judgment of Hon’ble High Court and show cause notices.

1. **Prof. S. Vijaya Raju**, Chairman, AP State Council of Higher Education
2. **Sri Aditya Nath Das**, IAS, Principal Secretary to Govt. Higher Edn. Dept.
3. **Prof. P. Narasimha Rao**, Vice-Chairman, AP State Council of Higher Education
The Committee submitted its report on 18/05/2017. The recommendations of the Committee are:

1. to take an undertaking in Rs. 100 stamp paper that they will shift the accommodation to their own building within 18 months as was allowed by the Hon’ble High Court in a Writ Petition No. 33883 of 2014;
2. to allow the Managements to apply EoA through online for 2017-18 till the end of May, 2017 in the prescribed format;
3. to withdraw the show cause notice to colleges which applied EoA and allow them to make admissions for 2017-18 only subject to enclosing an undertaking in Rs.100 stamp paper;
4. to consider the requests of those leased their own land and accommodation to the Society and who involved in the Governing Body of the Society and now willing to write an registered agreement showing the same in favour of Society subject to a condition that the property rights vested on the individual or his legal heirs will be applicable only after abolition of society or change of society has taken place.
5. to maintain a data base of all Colleges in the State in the proper format for various official purposes;
6. to request the Vice-Chancellors to place the judgment of Hon’ble High Court to discuss various observations made on implementation of Rule 9 (2) (b);
7. to request the Vice-Chancellors of the State Universities to review the matter and initiate action and place the action taken report in the meeting of the Executive Council; and
8. to conduct the Meeting of the Committee before the commencement of the academic year 2018-19 so as to review the matter and take suitable decisions.

2.13 Conduct of workshop on Global Competitiveness for Capacity Building

The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 167 Higher Education Department Dated 31/07/2017 has issued orders for conducting one day workshop on Global Competitiveness for Capacity Building under each university area. The Government has requested the Council to deposit initially @ Rs. 1 crore with the nodal university to organise one day workshop. The ratio of expenditure between APSCHE and the University is 40:60 respectively vide G.O.Rt.No. 168 Higher Education Department dated 31/07/2018.

2.14 Smart City Hackathon – First Initiative in the series of the She Builds Tech

Girls Tech Foundation conducted an event “Smart City Hackathon” in association with Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education, Department of Youth Services, and
Government of Andhra Pradesh and co-hosted by US Consulate General, Hyderabad, with an objective to help women empower themselves, create value and emerge as successful professionals, leaders and entrepreneurs. Women in Tech Foundation educate and mentor young women about the various paths that they can pursue in STEM and technology education. The Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education has provided an amount of Rs. 9,32,250/- towards financial assistance for conducting the event.

2.15 MoU with ISRO in association with Government

ISRO in association with the Universities and the State Government has come together for societal benefits and prosperity and developed an application titled “VAJRAPAAT” – Proximity Lightening Alert System” which is the first State in the Country to save the lives of large number of public from thunder bolts.

2018-19

2.16 Committee to identify the educational needs of the locality

The AP State Council of Higher Education has constituted an expert committee, on 02/02/2018, with the following Members, to conduct survey so as to identify the educational needs of the locality based on required parameters.

1. **Prof. K.Hemachandra Reddy,**
   Former Registrar and Professor in Engineering, JNT University, Ananthapur.
2. **Dr. K.V. Ramana Rao,**
   Principal (Retd.), Govt Degree College, Ravulapalem, E.G.Dist.
3. **Sri C. Sudesh Anand,**
   Consultant (Law) & Former Standing Counsel, AP State Council of Higher Edn.
4. **Sri T.V. Sri Krishna Murthy,**
   Deputy Director & Former Secretary (FAC), AP State Council of Higher Edn.
5. **Smt. B.S. Selina,**
   Lecturer, Academic Cell, AP State Council of Higher Edn. - Member Convenor

The terms of reference given to the Committee are:

1. To examine the recognition status of existing private unaided degree colleges with regard to UGC recognition under 2(f) and 12(B) of UGC Act, NAAC Accreditation, Autonomous status etc.
2. District wise, mandal wise, number of colleges in existence, number of courses, sanctioned intake and number of students admitted in 1st year and vacant seats in 2017, number of candidates appeared for final year exam in 2016 and passed

3. District wise, mandal wise, data of colleges functioning in own and leased building deficiencies noted in APSCHE proceedings and university affiliation orders

4. District wise, mandal wise, number of junior colleges in existence, number of 2nd year students appeared and passed in 2016

5. District wise, mandal wise number of schools in existence, total intake of class 10th and number of students appeared and passed.

6. District wise, mandal wise number of students appeared and qualified in EAMCET and NEET IN 2017

7. District wise, mandal wise identified revenue mandals and number of new private unaided degree colleges based on the data

8. To assess the need of localities / mandals for requirement of new private unaided degree colleges based on the data

9. To assess the academic and student performance of the existing private unaided degree colleges and to examine the requisitions for new colleges in such mandals.

10. To examine the instructional and infrastructural facilities in the colleges which are in leased accommodation and have not shifted to own/permanent accommodation

The Committee submitted its report on 28/04/2018. The observations and recommendations of the Committee are:

1. The Rules are silent on the number of colleges to be permitted in a mandal and distance between the Colleges. Hence, the permissions for new private unaided degree colleges were given in the mandals without any rationale. Permissions were also accorded to shift certain Degree Colleges from one mandal to another mandal and the same has led to unhealthy and undesirable competition with another institution of the same category in the area.

2. Most of the Colleges located in the rural area have been functioning and surviving on fee reimbursement policy of the Government. Such Colleges have been engaging guest teachers on hourly basis in view of fewer admissions of less than 25% as recorded in the interim Report of the Committee constituted by the Council to enquire about the existence of certain Degree Colleges.

3. The most important reason for requisition of new colleges and courses every year is that the Rule 9 (2) (b) and Rule 11 of G.O.Ms.No. 29 is not being observed strictly as held by the High Court in its judgment reported in 2004 (6) ALT 354. Hence, about 2/3rd colleges have been functioning in the rented buildings without having proper infrastructural and instructional facilities.
4. The Report of the Committee constituted by the Council on Colleges and Courses recommended that new private unaided degree colleges shall be allowed only in own buildings in view of the present status of existing degree colleges in the State. The Report and Recommendations of the Committee have not come into force for its implementation.

5. There is no mechanism of observing the admission and performance status of existing degree colleges before granting permissions for new Courses / Sections. Hence, the Colleges have more intake and less admissions in the Courses as recorded in the Interim Report of the Committee to conduct enquiry on the existence of degree colleges.

6. The Universities concerned have been granting temporary affiliations without a regular and periodical review on the academic and administrative functioning of the private unaided degree colleges in the university jurisdiction. Hence, the Managements of the Colleges are not serious in rectifying the inadequacies and are failing to maintain quality parameters.

7. There are three levels of scrutiny in place in granting permissions to new colleges and courses. First level is Prima facie scrutiny to verify the documents as per rules, second level is Joint Inspection Committees to inspect the proposed degree college for verification of infrastructural facilities and third level is scrutinizing the JIC Reports to examine the factual information with reference to Rules. Though scrutiny takes place in various levels, certain colleges which obtained permissions are unable to function with required teachers and students and deliver quality education to the students. The admission status of certain Colleges in itself is an evident for the same.

8. There are no prescribed qualifications for the Lecturers working in the Private Unaided Degree Colleges. The Council suggested the Government to prescribe qualifications in March, 2016 and the GO is yet to be issued. The Lecturers with such requisite qualifications will help to improve quality in teaching and thereby improve the quality in UG education.

9. It is noted that approximately 30% to 40% students are paying examination fee and are not attending examination. The reason could be that such students belong to fee reimbursement category and the motivation appears to be to claim the fee reimbursement and not to appear for examinations.

10. Based on the analysis, the need for the notification to establish new private unaided degree colleges is not recommended for the year 2018-19. However, the following general recommendations are being made by the Committee shall be the criteria to identify the need of a locality / mandal.
(a) When the Junior College pass outs in the mandal is more than 300, one new degree college can be sanctioned with a minimum intake of 150.
(b) When the Junior college pass outs in a particular mandal is less than 300 and collective pass out strength of all junior colleges in the neighboring two or three mandals, in which there are no degree colleges, is more than 300, one new degree college can be sanctioned treating these two or three adjacent mandals as a cluster.
(c) The Competent Authority shall specify in the notification the maximum number of degree colleges required in that mandal for that academic year.
(d) In a mandal / cluster of two or three mandals located in tribal areas or remote areas where there are no applications against previous three notifications to establish degree colleges, the Government can consider establishing a Government Degree College in such mandal / cluster of mandals.

11. Requisitions for new colleges in the mandals with existing degree colleges

(1) The need for the notification to establish new private unaided degree colleges in the above category mandals are not recommended for the year 2018-19 till the corrective measures are taken to rationalize the sanctioned intake in the existing Degree Colleges in view of mismatch between class 12th pass-outs and total intake in the Degree Colleges as discussed above. However, the following general recommendations are being made by the Committee shall be the criteria to identify the need of a locality / mandal.
(2) If the total pass-out strength of all Junior Colleges put together in a mandal is over and above 500 to that of the total sanctioned intake of all existing degree colleges put together in that mandal, then a new degree college can be sanctioned in that mandal.
(3) For existing colleges with no admissions for the last three consecutive years in a mandal, permission can be withdrawn and notification for a new degree college can be issued.
(4) For existing colleges running in leased buildings with less than 25% admissions in a course for the last three consecutive years in a mandal, Permission or EoP can be withdrawn for such course.
(5) Colleges running in leased buildings for more than ten years in a mandal, Permission or EoP can be withdrawn and notification for a new degree college can be issued subject to satisfying clause I (1) & I (2). The applicants who provide own land and own building shall only be considered for establishing new Degree College in the mandal.

12. The Council shall conduct physical survey of available infrastructural and instructional facilities in all Degree Colleges. For this purpose, a proforma may be
evolved. The Council shall make use of the services of the Research Scholars of different universities in the State for this purpose.

13. The Competent Authority i.e. APSCHE and Dean, CDC of the University concerned should mandatorily obtain data base of students admitted and appeared in 1st year and final year examinations of each college of the previous academic year in soft copy form from the Controller of Examination of the University concerned. The Competent Authority and the Dean, CDC of the University concerned shall take decisions on according permissions and affiliations for new colleges, courses and sections based on such data base.

14. The Competent Authority and the University concerned shall jointly undertake a periodical review of the Colleges functioning with less than 25% of admissions and Colleges which are functioning in the rented building and motivate them to improve their admissions and shift into own building.

15. The Competent Authority and the University concerned shall incorporate in their guidelines / statutes on the authority to withdraw permission and / or affiliation to Colleges which are functioning with less than 25% admissions in each course for the last five years and / or without admissions for the last three years.

16. After taking above corrective measures, the changed scenario of the Degree Colleges shall be reviewed and survey is to be conducted so as to identify the educational needs of the locality for succeeding academic year and notify such mandals accordingly.

2.17 Committee to conduct enquiry on the private unaided degree colleges functioning without Extension of Approval of APSCHE

The Council has issued Show Cause Notices to 462 colleges out of which 146 Private Unaided Degree Colleges have neither responded to Show Cause Notice of the Council issued in April, 2017 nor applied for EoP. The High Power Committee in its meeting held on 30/08/2017 has recommended to constitute a Committee to conduct enquiry for non-compliance of the instructions of the Competent Authority before initiating action on Rule 9 (2) (b) of G.O.Ms.No. 29 Dated 05/02/1987 in order to provide an opportunity to the defaulting colleges.

A 5-member inquiry committee was constituted with the following Members and Show Cause Notices were issued to 146 colleges during March, 2018 to appear before the inquiry committee and to submit written statement.

1. Prof. N. Rangaiah, Retd. Professor of Law, Acharya Nagarjuna University
2. Prof. L. Jayasree, Retired Professor of Law, Acharya Nagarjuna University
3. Dean, College Development Council, University concerned
4. T.V. Sri Krishna Murthy, Deputy Director, AP State Council of Higher Education
5. Smt. B.S. Selina, Lecturer, Academic Cell, AP State Council of Higher Education

The Colleges received Show Cause Notice, University wise and the Colleges which attended the inquiry are given hereunder:

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<th>S.No</th>
<th>Name of the University</th>
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The Committee submitted its report on 19/04/2018. The recommendations of the Committee are:

1. The AP State Council of Higher Education shall review the functioning of all Colleges in the State every year in order to improve quality in UG Education.
2. The AP State Council of Higher Education shall consider for withdrawing permissions of the Colleges which have no admissions for the last three years and admissions of less than 25% in each course for the last five years.
3. The AP State Council of Higher Education shall prescribe qualifications for recruitment of Lecturers in the Colleges in order to improve quality in UG education.
4. The AP State Council of Higher Education shall maintain the data base of all Colleges in the State with respect to their Educational Society, College, status of accommodation, Courses sanctioned with intake, number of admissions made and performance of students etc.,
5. The AP State Council of Higher Education shall not consider to allow the Colleges, which are functioning in the rented building beyond 5 years, for shifting
the accommodation from leased to another leased building within mandal / locality.

6. The AP State Council of Higher Education shall consider to constitute an expert committee to re-verify the land documents, building plan approvals and proceedings of panchayat / corporations etc. to those colleges claiming that the colleges have been functioning in the own buildings.

7. The AP State Council of Higher Education shall not consider in according approvals for new courses, new sections without assessing the admission and performance status of the existing courses to the Colleges concerned.

8. The AP State Council of Higher Education shall withdraw permissions to those Colleges which have not attended before the Inquiry Committee.

9. The University concerned shall issue affiliation orders in the form of proceedings of the Executive Council / Vice-Chancellor duly indicating the approval proceedings of the Council in the reference subject to fulfilment of conditions, since the Executive Council has the authority for affiliation of the Colleges under Section 19 of AP Universities Act 1991. A model format is enclosed herewith.

10. The University concerned shall not conduct examinations to the students based on No Dues Certificates or Certificate of affiliation without issuing affiliation orders to the Colleges concerned.

11. The University concerned shall not issue affiliation orders without approval of the Council or Extension of Permission (EoP) of the Colleges running in leased premises since the permission of the Council is pre-requisite for granting affiliation to the College concerned.

12. The University concerned shall not allow the Colleges to pay affiliation fee and/or affiliate such colleges without admissions for 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 or less than 25% admissions in each course from the last five years and withdraw affiliation of such colleges and amend the statutes accordingly.

13. The University concerned shall not issue orders keeping the college under “suspension of instruction” for years together without cancellation of affiliation and there is no such provision in AP University Act and also the same will dilute the concept of improving Gross Enrolment Ratio (GER).

14. The AP State Council of Higher Education and University shall not accord approvals for new courses, new sections without assessing the admission and performance status of the existing courses to the Colleges concerned.

15. The University shall not ask the Managements of the Colleges to take up the responsibility of Inspection Committees. The University concerned shall take up such responsibility and incur required expenditure from the affiliation fee collected from the Colleges concerned.
16. All Colleges which are functioning in the rented building are required to apply for Extension of Permission (EoP) every year. Failing which, such colleges shall not make admissions for 1st year of all Courses in the academic year concerned.

17. Colleges which are functioning in the rented building and obtained EoP in 2017-18 and not paid processing fee for 2015-16 and 2016-17 are required to pay processing fee of EoP.

18. The Colleges which are functioning with land and building in favour of the Secretary and Correspondent of the College (not in favour of the Society) are required to register in favour of the Society. Till such time, such Colleges are required to apply for Extension of Permission (EoP). Failing which, such colleges shall not make admissions for 1st year of all Courses in the academic year concerned.

19. The Colleges which have no admissions for the years i.e. 2015-16, 2016-17 and 2017-18 shall not make admissions in 2018-19 and such College may be requested to wait till APSCHE issues orders in the matter.

20. The Colleges which have less than 25% admissions for the last five years shall not make admissions and such Colleges may be requested to wait till APSCHE issues orders in the matter.

21. The Colleges which functioned initially in the rented building and subsequently shifted into own building without approval of the Council are required to submit proposals for shifting of accommodation into own building in 2018-19.

22. The Colleges which are functioning in the own building are required to submit their proposals to the Council. The Council may scrutinize the proposals of such colleges and take necessary action.

23. The Colleges which have not attended before the Inquiry Committee may not be permitted to make admissions of 1st year of all courses of 2018-19.

**2.18 Conference on 8th Icon Sustainable Waste Management**

The APSCHE coordinated with International Society of Waste Management, Air and Water and Swachh Andhra Corporation and other organizers i.e. Jadavpur University, Centre for Quality Management System, Kolkata, The Energy of Resources Institute (TERI), New Delhi, Consortium of Researchers in International Collaboration(CRIC), Indian Institute of Science, Centre for Sustainable Technology(CST), Bangalore, Japan Society of Waste Management and Materials Cycle, Japan, Acharya Nagarjuna University (ANU), Guntur, Andhra Pradesh Pollution Control Board, Vijayawada to conduct 8th International Conference on sustainable work launched from 22-24 November, 2018 in ANU, Guntur. The conference helps the State of Andhra Pradesh to support the statewide sustainable development initiatives and sets the vision of achieving the position of top 3 states in the country by the year 2022.
2.19 MoU with QS I-Gauge (Rise) Rating of Institutions for State Excellence

The Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education entered MoU with QS I-Gauge (Rise) for the following purpose.

1. Recognition of the excellence of universities/institutions under the council across many areas.
2. Improved international recognition - allows state institutions to reach out to high-quality students.
3. Increased web presence for state institutions.
4. Increased media awareness at national and international level for state institutions.
ACADEMIC FUNCTIONS
3.1 Conduction of Common Entrance Tests – CETs

In terms of Act 16 of 1988, The Chairman, Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education (APSCHE) is the Competent Authority to conduct Common Entrance Tests (CETs) for admissions into Institutions of Higher Education offering various technical and professional undergraduate and post graduate programs.

3.1.1 The following are the Government Orders issued related to rules for conduct of Common Entrance Tests - CETS:

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<td>EAMCET</td>
<td>Under Graduate programs in Engineering, Pharmacy, Medicine, Dental and Agricultural</td>
<td>G.O.Ms.No.73 Higher Education (EC.2) Department dated: 28-07-2011</td>
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<td>ICET</td>
<td>Post Graduate MBA &amp; MCA</td>
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<td>EDCET</td>
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3.1.2 The following are the Government Orders issued related to rules to conduct admissions for entry into Professional Courses:

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<td>Lateral entry into Undergraduate programs in Engineering and Pharmacy</td>
<td>G.O.Ms.No.61 Higher Education (EC) Department dated: 26.05.2006</td>
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3.1.3 The Chairman, APSCHE is the competent authority to identify the university to which the CETs are to be entrusted. Chairperson of concerned CET means the Vice-Chancellor of the concerned university nominated by the competent authority for conducting the respective CET. The Convener means a person, not below the rank of professor, appointed by competent authority in consultation with the chairman of CET. The competent authority shall constitute the CET committee to deal with the matters connected with the CET.

3.1.4 The Chairman, APSCHE is the competent authority for conducting admissions into various under graduate and post graduate professional courses. The Chairman, Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education is the Chairman of CET Admissions. The Competent Authority nominates the Conveners of Admissions of all Common Entrance Tests. For EAMCET as per G.O.Ms.No.17 Higher Education (EC) Department Dated.28.05.2018 & G.O.Ms.No.18 Higher Education (EC) Department Dated.28.05.2018 are the amendments to G.O.Ms.No.74 Higher Education (EC.2)
2014-15

3.2 The A.P. State Council of Higher Education has entrusted the responsibility of conducting Common Entrance Tests for admission into Technical and Professional Courses to the following Universities for the academic year 2014-15.

3.2.1 The number of students registered in each course for the academic year 2014-15 are:

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<td>4</td>
<td>EdCET</td>
<td>1,67,613</td>
<td>30.05.2014</td>
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<td>3yr-19,388 5yr-4,855</td>
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<td>23,000</td>
<td>21.05.2014</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>PGECEET</td>
<td>1,14,000</td>
<td>26.05.2014 To 29.05.2014</td>
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* ECET-2014 was held on 10th May, 2014 at twelve (12) regional centers in A.P and 48,705 candidates appeared for the test out of 51,971 who were issued with Hall Tickets.
3.3 Constitution of the Committee on ECET Lateral Entry Admissions

The A.P.BC Welfare Association, Hyderabad, has requested the Competent Authority (APSCHE) to introduce lateral entry scheme for direct admission into 2nd year level of B.E, B.Tech (including Technology) courses in University Engineering Colleges also at par with the same scheme prevailing in Private Unaided Engineering and Pharmacy Colleges as per prescribed norms of AICTE for the benefit of meritorious Diploma Holders and to enhance the present reservation of 5% of sanctioned intake to 25% as supernumerary quota. This representation was made keeping in view of the differential Tuition Fee structure prevailing at higher rates in reputed Private Engineering Colleges and depriving meritorious Diploma Holders to forego admissions in such colleges due to their poor financial background. In this regard, the Broad based Committee constituted by APSCHE consisting of Vice-Chancellors, Principals of University Colleges and Senior Officials of the Government after due study of the issue recommended (copy of the minutes enclosed), to introduce lateral entry scheme i.e., admission at 2nd year level to Diploma Holders up to 10% of the sanctioned intake of the courses in the previous academic year in University Engineering Colleges with effect from the academic year 2014-15 and also requested APSCHE to obtain earlier orders of the Government in the matter. Accordingly, APSCHE submitted draft proposals to Government for amending existing admission GO’s and the orders of the Government are awaited.

3.4 Streamlining the CETs Administrative Matters

The Council noted various discrepancies on the financial matters of the Common Entrance Tests. With a view to avoid irregularities and maintain transparency, the Council issued guidelines to the Conveners. The important guidelines are:

(a) The Conveners concerned shall give a certificate to the audit party on the breakup of the amount of expenditure incurred separately for paper setting and printing of question papers instead of disclosing the vouchers / bills which contain the name of the person and firm since the same are confidential in nature.
(b) The Conveners shall not deposit the advances drawn from the Council and such advances shall be incurred for the purpose for which it was drawn.
(c) The Conveners shall not draw advances without assessing and mentioning the head wise approximate expenditure in future.
(d) The Conveners shall not receive any amount in cash i.e. late fee, cancellation, revaluation etc. in their favour and the same shall be drawn in favour
of the AP State Council of Higher Education in the form of DD/Cheque as mentioned in the Government Orders of the CETs concerned.

(e) The Conveners shall not purpose Cars, I-Pads etc., from CET advances without prior approval from the Competent Authority.

(f) The Conveners shall maintain accounts, cash book and reconciliation of cash book with bank statement and produce to the audit.

3.5 Conducting enquiry on the irregularities committed by the Colleges

The Council constituted a two Member enquiry Committee with (i) Prof. K. Hemachandra Reddy, Professor of Mechanical Engineering, JNT University-Ananthapur and (ii) Prof. Trimurthy, Professor of Computer Science, Nagarjuna University to conduct enquiry on the irregularities committed by certain Engineering Colleges in admitting the students under spot and management quota. Based on the report, the Council issued notices to around 156 Engineering Colleges calling explanation, before ratification of the admissions made by such Engineering Colleges.

3.6 Publication of Statistical Booklet for Higher Education

The Statistical Cell of the Council has compiled the statistical data of Higher Education in the Country and the State including profile of the Universities and Colleges, growth of these institutions, status of GER in these institutions, number of students studied, comparison with other states and at national level etc., and published a Statistical Booklet for Higher Education for the first time in the State.

3.7 Publication of Souvenir of APSCHE

The State Council came into existence in May 1988 and completed 25 years of its existence as on May 2013. On this occasion, the Council released a Souvenir with all its activities and distinguished persons who assisted the Council to carry out its activities etc.

3.8 Preparation of Finance and Accounting Rules of the Universities

The Public Accounts Committee, in its Meeting held on 22/08/2012 to review the explanatory notes on audit paras of C&AG, has expressed dissatisfaction for the poor state of accounting system and certain academic matters on which serious irregularities have been pointed out by the C&AG. The 92nd Meeting of the Council held on 28/09/2012 has considered and resolved to constitute an Expert Committee to examine the Common Finance and Accounting Rules of Karnataka State and make recommendations to apply such rules to the Universities in Andhra Pradesh so as to bring uniformity in accounting matters and also transparency in the system and if necessary, by bringing an amendment to the relevant section in the A.P. Universities Act and also other specialized Universities Act under the jurisdiction of Higher Education
In compliance of the resolution, the Council has constituted a committee with the following experts to prepare Finance and Accounting Rules common to all the Universities.

(1) **Prof. C.R. Visweswara Rao**, Formerly Vice-Chancellor,
    Vikrama Simhapuri University

(2) **Prof. G.V. Bhavani Prasad**, Prof. of Management, Kakatiya University

(3) **Sri P. Subrahmanyam**, Formerly Sr. Audit Officer, A.G. Audit & Finance
    Officer of KU & FO, Dr. BRAOU,

(4) **Sri S. Lakshminarayana**, Joint Registrar (Retd.) & Finance Officer, Osmania University

The Committee examined the (i) Finance & Accounting Rules of Bangalore University (ii) UGC documents on such Rules to Central Universities (iii) Earlier Report of the Council on Financial Management of the Universities (iv) Codes of Andhra Pradesh Government (v) latest procedure of remittance of fees through online transfers and (vi) e-tendering process for execution of works and purchases etc. The Committee prepared Common Finance and Accounting Rules to the Universities in the State and recommends that:

1. The Government of Andhra Pradesh may incorporate suitable provisions in the respective University Acts to give effect to these Common Financial and Accounting Rules.
2. Computerization of Finance and Accounting System may be taken up as a logical step in the direction of implementation of the provisions of this manual. This would ensure that the Universities will have sound financial information system and e-governance.
3. For the proper understanding and implementation of the provisions of this manual entitled *Common Finance and Accounting Rules for Universities in the State of Andhra Pradesh*, training programs / workshops may be organized for the non-teaching staff of the Universities and the teaching staff associated with administrative responsibilities.

The AP State Council of Higher Education communicated the Finance and Accounting Rules to all the Universities in the State.
2015-16

3.9 The A.P. State Council of Higher Education has entrusted the responsibility of conducting Common Entrance Tests for admission into Technical and Professional Courses to the following Universities for the academic year 2015-16.

3.11.1 Universities which conducted the Test for the academic year 2015-16 are:

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<tr>
<th>Name of the CET</th>
<th>Name of the University conducted the CET</th>
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<tr>
<td>EAMCET</td>
<td>JNT University – Kakinada</td>
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<tr>
<td>ICET</td>
<td>Andhra University, Visakhapatnam</td>
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<td>Ed.CET</td>
<td>SV University, Tirupati</td>
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<td>PECET</td>
<td>Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur</td>
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<td>LAWCET/ PGLCET</td>
<td>SK University, Ananthapur</td>
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<tr>
<td>ECET (FDH)</td>
<td>JNT University, Ananthapur</td>
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<td>PGECET</td>
<td>JNT University – Kakinada</td>
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3.11.2 The Conveners of the Common Entrance Tests for the academic year 2015-16 are:

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<th>University</th>
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<td>AU</td>
<td>Prof. G. Ramachandra Murthy</td>
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<td>SVU</td>
<td>Prof. T. Kumara Swamy</td>
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<td>Prof. Y. Kishore</td>
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<td>Prof. G. V. PrasadaRaju</td>
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3.11.3 The Conveners of the admissions for the academic year 2015-16 are:

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<td>Department of Technical Education</td>
<td>Smt. B. Uday Lakshmi, I.A.S</td>
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<td>Prof. Y. Kishore</td>
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<td>Sri Krishnadevarya University</td>
<td>Prof. G. Seshaiyah</td>
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<td>Department of Technical Education</td>
<td>Smt. B. Uday Lakshmi, I.A.S</td>
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<td>PGECEET</td>
<td>JNTUK</td>
<td>Prof. G. V. PrasadaRaju</td>
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3.11.4 The number of students registered and qualified in each course for the academic year 2015-16 are:

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<th>Name of the CET</th>
<th>Date of Test</th>
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<td>14.05.2015</td>
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<td>PGECEET</td>
<td>25.05.2015</td>
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<td>PECET</td>
<td>14-05-2015</td>
<td>15342</td>
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3.11.6 The numbers of colleges, intake, filled and vacant in each course for the academic year 2015-16 are:

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<th>Course</th>
<th>No. of Colleges</th>
<th>Sanctioned intake</th>
<th>Convener</th>
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<td>3712</td>
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3.10 Ratification of approvals under Spot and Management Quota by APSCHE
The Council noted that the ratification approvals under spot quota and management quota are to be done by the Competent Authority, whereas, the Conveners are doing such exercise, in violation of the Government Orders. The Council noted the discrepancy and directed the Management of the Colleges to submit the list of admissions made by them under spot quota and management quota to the Council and obtain ratification of the Council. The Council prepared schedules for submission of lists with a view to study a candidate’s minimum days of the course schedule which includes communicating the approval for ratification of admissions by the Council. This will avoid the managements to make admissions beyond the last of date of admission. The Council has also introduced for the first time imposing fine to those submitted lists beyond the schedule so as to maintain discipline in complying the schedule declared by the Council. The Council prepared clear guidelines and formats and conducted the scrutiny of admissions made by the Colleges with retired Degree College Lecturers and Polytechnic College Lecturers.

3.11 Streamlining the Applications, Guidelines and JIC formats
The Council noted that the existing applications, guidelines and inspection committee formats are not detailed and comprehensive. Further, there is no prescribed format and guidelines for change of combinations, conversion of programs, shifting of degree colleges, etc. Further, the Universities have been according approvals for new UG Courses and shifting of degree colleges in violation of the Government Orders. The Council reviewed the subject matter and evolved detailed guidelines, applications, inspection formats etc. for every aspect of a Degree College including UG courses and PG courses as per the Government Orders and uploaded in APSCHE website for the access of the Managements of the Degree Colleges.

3.12 Committee to examine the pattern of two year B.Ed. course:
The A P State Council of Higher Education has constituted a Committee to discuss the examination pattern of two year B.Ed. course. The meeting of the Committee was held on 11/12/2015. The Committee thoroughly deliberated on the issue of reverting to year end examination pattern and observed that the syllabus is prepared in accordance with the guidelines prescribed by the NCTE/UGC under semester pattern and the same is approved by the academic bodies of the different affiliating Universities.

The members of the Committee are:
1. Prof. N. VenkataRao, Professor, Dept of Education, Andhra University,
2. Prof. Ganta Ramesh, Professor, Dept of Education, Kakatiya Univ.,
3. **Prof. Padmanabhaiah**, Former Professor, Dept of Education, S.V University
4. **Prof. Kumara Swamy**, Professor, Dept of Education, SV University

The Committee recommended to APSCHE to adhere to the existing semester pattern.

The Government has constituted a Committee with (i) Chairman, APSCHE (ii) Consultant-AFRC and (iii) Registrar, JNTU-K for re-examination of the Inspection Reports of the Committee on Engineering Colleges vide G.O.Rt.No. 276 Higher Education Department dated 17/06/2015.

3.13 **Committee to examine the Admissions made by the Managements of Law Colleges under spot admissions in the Categories A & B Quota for the academic year 2015-2016 in the State of Andhra Pradesh:**

The AP State Council of Higher Education has constituted a two Member Committee to examine the admissions made by the Law Colleges in Management Quota and in left over seats under Convener quota with the following members:

1. **Prof. C.R. Visweswara Rao**, Former Vice-Chancellor, Vikrama Simhapuri University
2. **Prof. N. Rangaiah**, Former Registrar, Acharya Nagarjuna University

The Committee submitted its report. The recommendations of the committee are:

1. All the relevant GOs relating to the CETS in the State of AP are required to be thoroughly modified to avoid ambiguities and inconsistencies. To this end, the APSCHE may appoint a High Power Committee to recommend a draft with suitable structure and amendments.

2. The APSCHE may initiate steps for incorporating in the CET GOs provisions for the levy of rectification/regulation fees for violations of admission norms by the Managements.

3. The APSCHE may consider as a matter of policy permitting the students from outside the State to appear for the CETs, subject to the condition that they would be considered for admission only for the left-over seats, if any. This ensures that the State Agency will not leave unfettered authority to the Managements and give due weight to aptitude, quality and eligibility in the matter of promoting quality education in the State. Such a provision may be considered for incorporation in the relevant CET GOs.

4. The APSCHE may, in consultation with the Standing Counsel, take an appropriate decision to appeal against the AP High Court judgement in Writ Petition No. 35468 of 2015 dated 13 November 2015, for clarifying the doubts expressed by the judgement and getting the critical comments made against the APSCHE. While
considering this aspect of appealing, the judgements of AP High Court in WP Nos filed in the years 2013 and 2014, directing the State Council to impose penalty of Rs.5000 on each candidate admitted from outside the State, may be taken into Consideration.

5. Universities concerned and the APSCHE may take immediate steps to verify the procedure adopted by the Colleges concerned in securing such overwhelming number of students from just across the borders of the State.

6. In the interests of preserving the standards, adhering to academic conventions, and quality concerns, it is recommended that the BCI, State Government, Universities concerned, and the APSCHE take immediate steps in the matter of regulating/streamlining admissions to Law Colleges in the State.

7. Surprise inspections should be conducted at these institutions by the Universities concerned and the APSCHE to verify the photo identity, signature, and the local address of the candidates admitted and attending classes. Possible proxy attendance and proxy examination writing should at all costs be avoided.

8. The sanctioned intake into the Law colleges in the State requires a thorough review with a view to pruning the sanctioned strength by BCI and the Universities concerned, keeping in view the actual number of seats filled by the Convener.

9. The Committee has also observed that in similar instances of violation of eligibility criteria etc., the Government through its various Government Orders from the year 2010 to 2014 imposed penalty of Rs.13,000 per candidate and got the admissions regularized by the Competent Authority Further, as observed above, the High Court of AP has also permitted the APSCHE/State Government to impose penalty of Rs. 5000 on candidates admitted from the other States. Therefore, the Committee recommends the referring of the whole issue to the State Government of Andhra Pradesh to impose appropriate steps to incorporate an appropriate legal provision, which unambiguously empowers the State Government/Competent Authority to impose penalty/fine for such irregular admissions.

3.14 Committee on introduction and implementation of CBCS Syllabus at UG level.

The University Grants Commission has instructed all the Universities in the country to implement Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) at undergraduate level. Accordingly, the A.P. State Council of Higher Education has taken the initiative to implement the Choice Based Credit System (CBCS) at undergraduate level from the academic year 2015-16. The task of framing of the syllabus under Choice Based Credit System was shared among the Universities in the State. The syllabus in the major subjects framed was circulated to all the Universities and was implemented from the academic year 2015-16. Further, after its implementation for one academic year, the Council has constituted subject expert committees to rectify anomalies, if any, in the syllabus in April 2016. The
Committees have submitted the syllabus and the revised syllabus was being implemented from the academic year 2016-17.

APSCHE has prepared and recommended the syllabus of major subjects only. The following are the subjects for which APSCHE has taken the initiative to prepare the syllabus and recommended the syllabus for implementation of CBCS at UG Level -

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<th>Foundation Courses</th>
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<th>Computer Science</th>
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<td>Economics</td>
<td>Special English</td>
<td>B.B.A</td>
<td>Political Science</td>
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<td>Honours Courses</td>
<td>Languages</td>
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3.15 **Meeting of Vice-Chancellors with the Hon’ble Chief Minister on 09/06/2015**

The AP State Council of Higher Education convened meeting of the Vice-Chancellors with the Hon’ble Chief Minister on 09/06/2015 to discuss about the progress made so far on key focus areas identified during meeting with Hon’ble Chief Minister, dated 18th and 19th December 2014. The meeting took decisions on the following:

- Graduate Recruitment and Placement Fair is suggested to be taken by Universities in central locations by providing stalls to organizations to facilitate placements. Affiliated college students are also to be invited. It is agreed to collaborate with industry associations such as CII, FICCI, Chambers of Commerce, and NASSCOM to make the fair successful. Branding in terms of information dossiers, schedule and event layout etc. to be prepared by university VCs.
- Mr.Ratnakar, CEO, e-governance to share the companies of IT-ITES/Electronics with all the Vice-Chancellors, so that the Universities can pursue internships and placements.
- KPMG presentation on raising revenues by Universities was discussed. Soft copy to be shared with all the VCs for their feedback, and inputs
- Incubation centre action plan prepared by SVU to be shared with all the Vice-Chancellors for their inputs and explore funding support from Department of Science and Technology
- JNTU-K to further consult all the Vice-Chancellors to finalize the implementation guidelines to introduce credit based MOOCs. Efforts to introduce a minimum of 4 MOOC courses in the coming academic semester. It is also suggested to explore the
existing MOOC courses on platforms such as Edex and Coursera. BITS-Pilani and ISB’s help may be explored to share their expertise.

- Faculty up-gradation: currently faculty up-gradation is given to course instructors in courses, in which the students’ performance has been not up to the mark. It is suggested that all the Universities will create a comprehensive plan with a training calendar. SVU, AU, JNTU-K and JNTU- A to submit a comprehensive report on progress made so far in strengthening/establishing Human Resource Development centres. ANU to submit progress made so far on establishing Academic Leadership institute.

- Curriculum up-gradation: SVU has led consultations with all the Universities to upgrade curriculum across Sciences, Arts, Commerce and Language. The final curriculum to be shared by 15th June 2015 with APSCHE and all the Universities for their feedback. Post which, modified curriculum to be placed before standing committee of senate for implementation in the coming academic semester.

- Higher Education Department to consider processing faculty vacancies on a case-by-case basis. Prof. P. Vijay Prakash to prepare comprehensive guidelines on recruitment so that the current restriction on filling up vacancies may be examined to be revoked. Vacancies have to be filled in for NAAC accreditation as well.

- APSCHE, with the help of an expert committee, has prepared a report on setting up State Assessment & Accreditation Agency. The same to be shared with Higher Education Department and all the Vice-Chancellors.

- Andhra Pradesh State Skill Development Corporation (APSSDC) to closely work with Universities to bring in Sector Skill Councils and explore offering employability courses as add-ons. Skill Development Centres to be set-up within University premises.

- Convocation: An internal committee to be set within University to plan the convocation, and leading personalities in Business, Science or Sports to be invited as chief guest to make the event grand and have a long lasting impression on student’s life.

- All the universities are requested to expedite the process of setting up smart campuses, classrooms, incubation centres, encourage start-up, and introduce communication and entrepreneurship centres.

- Lead Universities identified for Edugrid project are requested to implement the project Phase-I by September, 2015.

- At least one subject may be made compulsory for online examination.

- Each University must introduce gap year concept to allow students to take up apprenticeship programs or establish start-ups.

- Courses in entrepreneurship and innovation development should be introduced.

- Choice Based Credit System (CBSC) should be introduced from the coming academic year.
Visiting professors and alumni NRIs should be invited to give guest lecturers.
Executive Councils of all universities should be constituted.
Universities should collaborate with other Universities & Colleges create an atmosphere of better learning through faculty & student exchange programs.
Mandatory apprenticeship programs should be introduced for students.
A Research & Innovation Academy can be set up by APSCHE to foster research & to promote innovation in Universities.

3.16 Review Meeting of the Hon’ble Chief Minister held on 12/09/2015

The Hon’ble Chief Minister convened the review meeting on 12/09/2015 with the Officials of Higher Education Department and AP State Council of Higher Education. The Chief Minister has gone through the presentation made by the department and reviewed the activities initiated by the department and made the following suggestions.

1. Expressed the need to strengthen and benchmark the existing Institutions and recommended periodical reviews at various levels to improve quality of institutions and the performance of individuals.
2. To explore and tap the available resources to strengthen the institutions and to guide them for accreditation.
3. Advised the department to assess the position of the state in Indian Higher Education scenario and frame time bound targets to improve the position of the state.
4. Advised to define the parameters for universities by APSCHE and colleges by CCE & CTE to review the performance and initiate measures to improve the low performing institutions.
5. The performance of the institutions needs to be publicised to improve the accountability.
6. The performance of teachers and administrators is to be assessed periodically and action is to be initiated on non-performers.
7. Advised to monitor the institutions regularly through online making use of video conferencing facilities.
8. Wi-Fi connectivity to be made available in all universities with immediate effect.
9. Advised to assess the disparities among the districts and suggested to focus on Srikakulam and Vizianagaram districts as they have less HEIs density compared with other districts.
10. The universities which have less vacancy positions should go for accreditation immediately.
11. A strategy to be evolved by APSCHE and Universities to improve private un-aided colleges and the affiliation may be cancelled basis on the performance.
12. Head of the institutions should conduct monthly reviews on coverage of syllabus, results and performance of faculty and the reports are to be submitted to respective Head of the Departments.
13. The engineering colleges should go for institutional accreditation and participate in national rankings.
14. Advised APSCHE to appoint a three member committee to review the monthly performance of universities and to initiate action basing on the report submitted by the committee.
15. The best academic administrators shall be appointed as Vice Chancellors, Registrars and Rectors of universities and shall be continued based on annual performance.
16. Geo tagging of institutions should be taken up to facilitate virtual monitoring of institutions. Biometric attendance system shall be implemented in all the institutions immediately.
17. Weightage to be given to research publications and knowledge while filling vacancies in universities in transparent manner.
18. Suggested to prepare an action plan for improving the standards of by taking up capacity building programmes, implementation of performance indicators and by fixing targets.
19. The Chief Minister also stated that all universities/Engineering Colleges/ Government Degree Colleges failing to reach the standard benchmark should see where they are lacking and undertake suitable measures.
20. Suggested to coordinate with top universities in India for setting up of new universities in the state as per Private Universities Bill.
21. The Chief Minister called for immediate transfer of ideas into action and have an executive and management committee to review and analyse the results.

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### 3.18 Meeting with Principals of Government and Aided Autonomous Colleges in the State on 12/05/2016 at PB Siddhartha College, Vijayawada.

A meeting was held by Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education (APSCHE), for Principals of Aided and Government Autonomous Colleges in the State at 11.00 am on 12/05/2016 at PB Siddhartha College, Vijayawada. Principals of Autonomous Colleges participated in the meeting in good number across the state. Dr. MVN Padma Rao, Principal, PB Siddhartha College, Vijayawada presided over the meeting. Prof. S. Ramakrishna Rao, Vice Chancellor, Krishna University acted as the Guest of Honor and addressed the gathering.

The officials of the Council presented key issues related to the implementation of CBCS in autonomous colleges, in view of the framework introduced by the APSCHE in the affiliated colleges in the State from 2015-16. Dr. K.V. Ramana Rao, Principal, Govt. Degree College, Ravulapalem, was invited as a resource person, made a presentation on
the advantages of autonomous colleges in effectively implementing CBCS, especially in conducting the electives, and the possible future new dimensions.

The talks followed an active and prolonged discussion on several issues related to autonomous colleges and their academic functioning. The following are the consolidated suggestions/representations made by the participants.

1. The autonomous colleges shall be given complete freedom in designing their own courses and starting new and innovative courses. The universities shall be convinced of the need for complete academic autonomy, as the NAAC and UGC teams are also insisting on the academic autonomy.

2. The present practice of recognizing only UG programs as autonomous and not PG courses in autonomous colleges shall be dispensed with, and all courses shall be recognized as autonomous by the universities, as it is the institution that is autonomous.

3. Freedom shall be given in respect of Foundation Courses regarding their syllabi and in having their own foundation courses to some extent.

4. As the introduction of the new foundation courses and electives is with the objective of providing skill/value related training to students, it is necessary that their workload is recognized by the Commissionerate of Collegiate Education.

5. The disparity between the total credits of programs of autonomous colleges and that of affiliated colleges needs to be set right.

6. The duration of practical hours may be increased from two to three in science subjects.

7. Let there be no insistence of academic uniformity among autonomous colleges.

8. Language subjects may be extended to fourth semester to avoid dislocation of balance.

9. Colleges may be allowed to continue B.Com Computers and B.Com Honors.

10. HVPE (Human Values and Professional Ethics) may be allowed to be taught in Telugu medium by Telugu Teachers.

11. It is important that a uniform minimum number of credits are fixed for each category of degree programs so that additional credits over and above them will be duly recognized.

12. Managements of aided colleges shall pay attention to paying better salaries to unaided staff for an effective alternative as the number of aided staff is fast depleting.

13. The practice of increasing student affiliation fee year after year by the universities is to be avoided.

14. The universities are issuing the certificates of students of affiliated colleges first and later that of autonomous colleges, causing a disadvantage to the students of the latter. This needs to be corrected.
15. The universities need to recognize the spirit of autonomy and cooperate with autonomous colleges by dropping resistance and procedural complications. Interference of universities in the financial matters of the autonomous colleges shall be avoided.

### 3.19 Committee to examine the issues of Autonomous Colleges

The A P State Council of Higher Education (APSCHE) has convened a meeting of the Principals of the Autonomous Colleges in Andhra Pradesh on 12th May 2016 at P B Siddhartha College of Arts & Science, Vijayawada, to review the implementation of Choice Based Credit System at the UG Level in their Colleges. In the said meeting, the Principals expressed certain concerns relating to implementation of academic and administrative autonomy in the Colleges, and submitted representations requesting for redress. In this context, the APSCHE has constituted a Committee with the following members to examine the representations and make suitable recommendations and after thorough discussions the committee has submitted its recommendations.

1. **Prof. C.R. Visweswara Rao,**  
   Former Vice-Chancellor, Vikrama Simhapuri University, Nellore

2. **Prof. V. Venkaiah,**  
   Former Vice-Chancellor, Krishna University, Machilipatnam

3. **Prof. P. S. N. Reddy,**  
   Former Professor of Chemistry, Osmania University, Hyderabad

4. **Dr. K. V. Ramana Rao,**  
   Principal, Government Degree College, Ravulapalem

### 3.20 Committee constituted to create strong mechanism in private institutions and to ensure maintenance of standards as prescribed by AICTE and affiliated universities

The Government has constituted a committee, vide G.O.Rt.No. 131 Dated 15.6.2016 with the following members to create strong mechanism in all Private Un-aided Engineering Colleges in the State, to cause inspection of the Private Un-aided Engineering Colleges and to ensure maintenance of standards as prescribed by AICTE and affiliated Universities:

1. **Prof. P. Narasimha Rao,**  
   Vice Chairman, A.P. State Council of Higher Education

2. **Prof. K. Hema Chandra Reddy,**
Professor in Mechanical Engineering,
J.N.T.U. College of Engineering, Anantapur

3. Prof. H. Sudarshana Rao,
   Director, J.N.T.U., Anantapur

4. Prof. Padmaraju,
   Director, Academic & Planning, J.N.T.U., Kakinada

5. Dr. Seshagiri Rao,
   Principal, Government Polytechnic, Vijayawada

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3.22 **Conduct of Computer Based Test (CBT) in 2017-18.**

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3.23 **Committee constituted to suggest reforms in the Engineering Education in Andhra Pradesh:**

Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education felt that the reforms in the Engineering Education in Andhra Pradesh is necessary to develop Engineers with more practical oriented along with employability skills and in turn to make the A.P. State as knowledge hub with abundant and high quality human resources. The APSCHE has constituted Expert Committee to revise the Engineering Syllabus (B.Tech.) by using the guidelines suggested the All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) in tune with the industry requirements comprising experts from IITs, NITs, JNTU, NAASCOM and APSSDC to change the curriculum and credits.

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<td>6.</td>
<td>Dr. Pinnamaneni Bhanu Prasad, Chief Mentor, Jeckson Vision, USA, Dubai, India, Director (R&amp;D), Kelenn Technology, France, USA, India</td>
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The Committee has looked into the syllabi of various Universities in Andhra Pradesh, AICTE, IITs and NITs to consider the merits and to implement in its curriculum. The Committee also had discussion with the industry from different areas namely IT, ECE and Mechanical Engg, and discussed the needs of the industry. The committee has taken into account the recent technologies that have come in these areas to include in the present curriculum.

The Comparison of Credits with AICTE is:

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The committee has identified the following courses for the better job opportunities in the future:

a. Problem Solving and Programming  
b. Artificial Intelligence Tools, Techniques and Applications.  
c. Internet of Things (IoT) & Applications.  
e. Entrepreneurship Development and Incubation.  
f. Socially Relevant Projects.

The finalized Course structure allows students to choose inter-disciplinary, intra-disciplinary courses, skill oriented papers (even from other disciplines according to their learning needs,
interests and aptitude). Further, the new structure offers flexibility for students to study at
different times and at different institutions to complete one course (ease mobility of students).
Credits earned at one institution can be transferred.

The Guidelines for Implementation of New Engineering Curriculum are:

1. The overall credits should be 160 as suggested by AICTE.
2. The new syllabus shall be implemented from the academic year 2019-20 in all the
   Engineering Colleges in the State without any deviation in the basic structure.
3. 20% deviation of the syllabus in any subject is permitted.
4. There shall be two courses in English (seven credits) to improve the communication
   skills of the students as desired by the industry. In view of the feedback from the
   industry, there shall not be any deviation in communicative English syllabus.
5. The number of credits for the program electives (Department Electives), inter department
   electives (electives from other departments but related to the core department), Open
   Electives (General Courses such as any foreign language, music, social sciences, public
   administration, law and other engineering subjects) shall be followed without any change
   as per CBCS requirements. However, the elective subjects are left to the autonomous
   colleges.
6. Course on Life Sciences has been suggested by the AICTE as compulsory subject for all
   branches. This is required to understand the life sciences so as to apply in various fields
   of engineering.
7. The syllabus in the science courses such as Physics, Chemistry, Life Sciences and
   Mathematics be identified as per the requirements of the departments.
8. The open electives, programme electives, new tracks in the basket of electives can be
   introduced by autonomous colleges.
9. Humanities electives can be introduced as per the choice of autonomous institutes.
10. Each core and elective course should have its objectives and outcomes and each unit
    should have its own learning outcomes as per the Bloom’s Taxonomy.
11. Autonomous Colleges shall design socially & locally relevant projects so as to make the
    students to understand the problem and to offer suitable solutions to those problems using
    engineering technology.
12. The internships shall be followed as per the convenience of autonomous colleges
    meeting the total credit requirements.
13. The number of credits in each semester shall be followed within ± 2 credits of suggested
    curriculum except in the 1st semester for autonomous colleges.
14. There shall be two MOOCs courses in the 8th semester to accommodate full semester
    project work / internship in industry. The responsibility of completing the MOOCs
    courses lie with the students. The autonomous institutes may introduce electives in 8th
semester for the students who prefer to be on the campus and attend the classes offered by the colleges.

15 An additional branch specific workshop in each department (Workshop II) shall be introduced for all branches to enhance the employability skills of the students.

16 The theory and lab shall be integrated as a single course for teaching and evaluation.

The draft syllabus submitted by the Committee was placed on the APSCHE website for inviting suggestions from the public. Further, draft syllabus was also placed before the Board of Studies of JNTU-Kakinada and JNTU-Anantapur separately. After considering all these suggestions, the Committee has submitted its finalized Engineering Syllabus.

The Council communicated syllabus to all Universities for its implementation with the approval of respective statutory bodies.

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3.24 The A.P. State Council of Higher Education has entrusted the responsibility of conducting Common Entrance Tests for admission into Technical and Professional Courses to the following Universities for the academic year 2018-19.

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3.20.2 The Conveners of the Common Entrance Tests for the academic year 2018 - 19 are:

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3.20.3 The Conveners of the admissions for the academic year 2018-19 are:

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3.20.4 The number of students registered, appeared and qualified in each course for the academic year 2018-19 are:

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3.20.5 The number of colleges offering various Technical and Professional Courses in the State for the year 2018-19, their intake and seat filled are:

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3.25 **Conduct of Computer Based Test (CBT) in 2018-19:**

The AP State Council of Higher Education introduced Computer Based Test (CBT) for conducting all common entrance tests from the academic year 2017-18. The Government vide G.O.Ms.No.7 Higher Education Department dated 06/02/2018 has permitted the AP State Council of Higher Education to entrust the job of conducting all common entrance tests (Computer based test) with AP Online (a joint venture with TCS) for the academic year 2018-19.

3.26 **Appointment of Convener for EAMCET Admissions**

The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 18 dated 28/05/2018 amended the G.O.Ms.No.75 Higher Education (EC.2) Department, Dated 28.07.2011 and issued orders that the competent authority shall take prior approval of Government for an appointment of Convener EAMCET admissions.

3.27 **Committee to review the implementation of British Council project**

The AP State Council of Higher Education has constituted a Committee to review the implementation of the British Council project with the following Members.

1. **Prof. Ch. Rajendra Prasad**, Professor of English, Dravidian University
2. **Prof. K.S. Ramesh**, Professor of English, Adikavi Nannayya University
3. **Prof. P. Hari Padma Rani**, Professor of English, SP Mahila University
ADVISORY FUNCTIONS
The AP State Council of Higher Education Act provides under one of its Advisory Functions “to perform any other functions necessary for the furtherance of Higher Education in the State” under 11(2) of APSCHE Act 16 of 1988.

2014-15

4.1 Reviewing and Re-drafting of University Act

The Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors with the Hon’ble Chief Minister of Andhra Pradesh was held on 18-19 December, 2014 in the Chief Minister’s Conference Hall, AP Secretariat, Hyderabad has taken a decision to review AP Universities Act for enabling better governance. Accordingly, the AP State Council of Higher Education constituted a Committee with the following members to review the AP Universities Act 1991 and re-draft the Act or to submit their recommendations on the amendments to be proposed.

1. Prof. C. R. Visweswara Rao
   Former Vice-Chancellor, Vikrama Simhapuri University

2. Prof. T.P. Sudarsana Rao
   Retired Professor of Law, S.K. University

3. Prof. N. Rangaiah
   Retired Professor of Law, Acharya Nagarjuna University

4. Prof. P.S.N. Reddy
   Retired Professor of Chemistry, Osmania University

5. Prof. P. Trimoorthy
   Retired Professor of Computer Science, Acharaya Nagarjuna University

6. Sri P. Subrahmanyam
   Retired Senior Audit Officer, A.G.s Office

The terms of reference of the Committee was:

(a) to examine the provisions of existing AP Universities Act 1991
(b) to identify the lacunae in the existing provisions of the Act 1991
(c) to examine the provisions of updated Acts of other States
(d) to examine the issues, challenges and changes in the field of Higher Education
(e) to re-draft the Act or amendments to be proposed to the Act

The details of the Report of the Committee will be provided in the Annual Report for 2015-16.
2015-16

4.2 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors
The Council organised the Meeting of Vice-Chancellors with an agenda, based on the priorities communicated by Universities, and to discuss and decide upon important common issues of mutual interest, and to find suitable solutions to the common problems. By providing a common forum for the Vice-Chancellors, the State Council has been able to take up some of the problems of the Universities to promote uniformity in certain operational areas. The principal Secretary of Higher Education, Commissioners of Intermediate, Collegiate and Technical Education participated. The minutes of the meeting are communicated to the Vice-Chancellors of all Universities for taking necessary orders on the resolutions passed.

4.3 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellor held on 24-7-2015
The AP State Council of Higher Education convened the Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors in AFRC Conference Hall, Hyderabad on 24/07/2015. The Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors took decisions on the following:

1. The UG CBCS syllabi structure decided in a meeting held at Andhra University, Visakhapatnam on 3rd July 2015 be followed uniformly by all universities from 2015-16 academic year for first semester.
2. A modified structure with 2 AEC (Ability Enhancement Courses), 2 (FC/SC) Foundation Courses and 3 SC (Subject Courses be followed uniformly by all universities (Format copy enclosed).
3. The prepared syllabi from second semester onwards will be reviewed based on the structure proposed by the VCs meet held on 24/07/15 at APSCHE.
4. The first and second languages of the syllabi will to be revised in accordance with the suggested structure and SC/FC also will be revised.
5. The contents proposed in the communication skills and soft skills/ICT of the main structure should not be repeated/overlapped in subject specific courses like B.A – English, B.Sc. Computer Science, B.Com Computers, and Special English etc.
6. It is also suggested to constitute an expert committee consisting of three members for each course BA, B.Com, B.Sc., Languages and Soft Skills to examine the contents provided by S.V University, Tirupati.
7. In case if there is any subject/program/course not covered in the syllabi prepared by the S.V.U, the respective universities may design the curriculum and pass it on to the corresponding expert group.
8. The Rayalaseema University will prepare the contents and evaluation method for all Foundation Courses (FC) and Skilled based Courses (SC).

9. All AP Universities are advised to conduct five workshops/training programs such as (i) Examination Reforms, (ii) English/Skill based Courses, (iii) Sensitization on CBCS (iv) Education Administration Leadership and (v) ICT Training. The Universities may involve the expertise from different sources to extend quality enhancement among the faculty and supporting staff of Higher Education system. The expenditure involved in conducting these workshops/training programmes will be met by APSCHE-RUSA to the tune of Rupees one lakh per programme. The necessary proposals may be sent to the RUSA Nodal Officer.

10. The last date for payment of examination fee in respect of B.Ed. colleges is extended to 31st July m2015.

4.4 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 9th June 2015:

The AP State Council of Higher Education convened the Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors on 9th June 2015 in the conference hall of APSCHE. The summary of the decisions in the Meeting are:

(1) Graduate Recruitment and Placement Fair is suggested to be taken by Universities in central locations by providing stalls to organizations to facilitate placements. Affiliated college students are also to be invited. It is agreed to collaborate with industry associations such as CII, FICCI, Chambers of Commerce, and NASSCOM to make the fair successful. Branding in terms of information dossiers, schedule and event layout etc. to be prepared by university VCs.

(2) Mr. Ratnaker, CEO, e-Governance to share the companies of IT-ITES/Electronics with all the Vice-Chancellors, so that the Universities can pursue internships and placements

(3) KPMG presentation on raising revenues by Universities was discussed. Soft copy to be shared with all the VCs for their feedback, and inputs

(4) Incubation center action plan prepared by SVU to be shared with all the Vice-Chancellors for their inputs and explore funding support from Department of Science and Technology

(5) JNTU-K to further consult all the Vice-Chancellors to finalize the implementation guidelines to introduce credit based MOOCs. Efforts to introduce a minimum of 4 MOOC courses in the coming academic semester. It is also suggested to explore the existing MOOC courses on platforms such as Edex and Coursera. BITS-Pilani and ISB’s help may be explored to share their expertise

(6) Faculty up-gradation: Currently faculty up-gradation is given to course instructors in courses, in which the students’ performance has been not up to the mark. It is
suggested that all the Universities will create a comprehensive plan with a training calendar. SVU, AU, JNTU-K and JNTU- A to submit a comprehensive report on progress made so far in strengthening/establishing Human Resource Development centers. ANU to submit progress made so far on establishing Academic Leadership Institute.

(7) Curriculum up-gradation: SVU has led consultations with all the Universities to upgrade curriculum across Sciences, Arts, Commerce and Language. The final curriculum to be shared by 15th, June 2015 with APSCHE and all the Universities for their feedback. Post which, modified curriculum to be placed before standing committee of senate for implementation in the coming academic semester.

(8) Higher Education Department to consider processing faculty vacancies on a case-by-case basis. Prof. P. Vijay Prakash to prepare comprehensive guidelines on recruitment so that the current restriction on filling up vacancies may be examined to be revoked. Vacancies have to be filled in for NAAC accreditation as well.

(9) APSCHE, with the help of an expert committee, has prepared a report on setting up State Assessment & Accreditation Agency. The same to be shared with Higher Education Department and all the Vice-Chancellors.

(10) Andhra Pradesh State Skill Development Corporation (APSSDC) to closely work with Universities to bring in Sector Skill Councils and explore offering employability courses as add-ons. Skill Development Centers to be set-up within University premises.

(11) Convocation: An internal committee to be set within University to plan the convocation, and leading personalities in Business, Science or Sports to be invited as chief guest to make the event grand and have a long lasting impression on student’s life.

(12) All the universities are requested to expedite the process of setting up smart campuses, classrooms, and incubation centers, encourage start-ups, and introduce communication and entrepreneurship centers.

(13) Lead Universities identified for Edugrid project are requested to implement the project Phase-I by September, 2015.

4.5 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellor’ held on 9-10-2015

The AP State Council of Higher Education convened the Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors on 9th October, 2015 in Rayalaseema University, Kunrool. The meeting discussed the agenda on the following and took decisions.

(1) Modifying KPIs for Universities

(2) Capital Fund Requirement
(3) Presentation of the Report on Rationalization of Faculty requirement.
(4) Establishment of Skill Development Centers
(4) Foreign University Collaboration
(5) Status on implementation of CBCS at UG / PG level
(6) Finalization of syllabus for UG Courses for 2nd and 6th semesters including Foundation Skills enhancement courses.
(7) Establishment of Smart Campuses / setting up the Incubation centers
(8) Activate IQACs as per UGC guidelines
(9) Establishment of Bio-metric system and CC cameras

4.6 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 4-11-2015

The AP State Council of Higher Education convened the Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors on 4th November, 2015 in Andhra University, Visakhapatnam. The meeting discussed the agenda on the following and took decisions.

1. To recommend the view of APSCHE to the government on 14 items listed hereunder with regard to New Education Policy:

(a) Insist on short-term and long-term goals for every college and university Public funding shall be linked to performance of set of goals
(b) Avoid inbreeding in recruitment and nominated positions
(c) The central, state, deemed and private universities shall have common administrative structure, designation and certificate formats
(d) Reciprocal relations among educational institutions shall be established in addressing rural-urban divide and gender issues.
(e) Focus on internalization of education by encouraging student, faculty and administrators exchange
(f) Encourage add-on courses by adopting SQF (Skill Quality Framework) Modules
(g) Concepts like internship, start-ups, gap-year, etc. be categorically defined and introduced in all institutions
(h) A national on-line university connecting all distance education institutions
(i) Establish resource centric institutions and universities and generate local knowledge as teaching module
(j) Private Public Partnership (PPP) and Build-Operate-Transfer concepts be taken into fold of Education system
(k) Special focus and funding on select universities to convert them as research centers to conduct cutting edge research
(l) Regulatory mechanism to restrict admissions into private and deemed universities
(m) Indigenous Knowledge (IK) and Indigenous Technological Systems (ITS) mapping in every University catchment area for macro and micro planning

2. Universities have to expedite the process of NAAC accreditation to augment Resources of the university.
3. The Universities have to identify the priority areas in their regions for innovative Research based on their core competencies and form into clusters to become consortium of universities to gain advantage of infrastructure and expertise sharing.

4.7 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 17/02/2016 at JNTU-Kakinada

The Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors convened on 17/02/2016 in JNTU-Kakinada and the meeting discussed the following issues.

1. Common recruitment in filling up of teaching posts in the Universities
2. Infrastructure facilities in the Universities
3. Status on University affiliated Degree Pvt. Colleges, Institutions etc.
4. Action taken on anti-ragging in the educational institutions
5. Progress in implementation of RUSA Scheme
6. Introduction of foreign language courses in the Universities
7. Establishment of Private Universities in the State of AP
8. Fee reimbursement scheme issues
9. Establishment of Skill Development University
10. Introduction of Massive Open Online Courses in the Universities
11. Introduction of Biometric and Aadhaar Linkage system in all Universities and Colleges
12. Review on National Institutional Ranking Frame Work
13. Grading on Engineering Colleges
14. Status on introduction of Choice Based Credit System
15. Integrated Courses with reference to Industry needs
16. Conduct of Convocation of the Universities as per revised guidelines
17. Introduction of online system in PG Admissions 2016-17
18. Restructuring of Degree Courses with single subject specialization
19. Uploading the data in All India Survey of Higher Education and in College Management Information System developed by APSCHE
20. Release of Capital Expenditure to the Universities
21. Filling up of the vacant posts of the Finance Officers in the Universities

4.8 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 22/03/2016

The Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors was convened on 22/03/2016 and the Meeting took the decisions on the following:

1. Every University shall have an Alumni Association
2. Every University shall bestow personal attention to prevent encroachment of land and maintain a land bank register for future reference
3. The Universities shall compete with the Private Universities with regard to academics and infrastructure
4. Every University shall enter into MoU for foreign collaboration for the courses which are offered in the University.
5. Every University shall strive to specialize in a research area, unique to the respective University
6. All the Universities shall go for accreditation/re-accreditation by NAAC within one year
7. Every University shall introduce SAP as part of the curriculum
8. Universities shall give due weightage to sports and games
9. Universities shall ensure ragging-free campus by taking strict measures.
10. Each University should implement biometric attendance for staff and students in Universities and affiliated colleges with Aadhaar linkage, install CCTV cameras at colleges, hostels, libraries before the commencement of the ensuing academic year.
11. Each University should take steps to institute student counselling centers
4.9 Committee to review AP University Act 1991

The AP State Council of Higher Education has one of the Advisory functions on furtherance of Higher Education in the State. Accordingly, the AP State Council of Higher Education has constituted a Committee on 20/01/2015, with the following members, to review the Andhra Pradesh Universities Act, 1991.

1. Prof C R Visweswara Rao, Former Vice-Chancellor, Vikrama Simhapuri Univ.
2. Prof T P Sudarsana Rao, Retired Professor of Law, S K University
3. Prof N Rangaiah, Retired Professor Law, Acharya Nagarjuna University
4. Prof P S N Reddy, Retired Professor of Chemistry, Osmania University
5. Prof P Thrimurthy, Retired Professor of Computer Science, Acharya Nagarjuna University
6. Sri P Subrahmanyam, Retired Senior Audit Officer, A G Office

The Committee reviewed the Act from the point of view of (a) improving the quality of governance, (b) ensuring performance and quality in the functioning and pursuits of the Universities, and (c) introducing greater element of accountability in the functioning of the authorities and officers of the Universities.

The Committee held several meetings during April – August, 2015 and focused its attention on the following aspects of the functioning of a University:

(a) Improvement in the quality of governance
(b) Restructuring of the various bodies of the University with a view to improving their functioning and ensuring their continuity
(c) Bringing about greater accountability in the functioning of the authorities and officers
(d) Introduction of accountability-linked performance assessment and enhancement measures
(e) Promoting quality sustenance and enhancement
(f) Strengthening the academic structures for more effective and answerable functioning
(g) Periodic monitoring and review of academic and administrative actions and activities
(h) Improving teaching-learning for facilitating better knowledge acquisition, dissemination, and transfer
(i) Provision for a five year perspective plan for the University and its phase-wise implementation
(j) Introduction and periodic review of curricular reforms and skill development initiatives
(k) Promoting research and development and strengthening collaboration with the industry
(l) Adopting an output directed development path rather than an input driven strategy in research, collaboration, and development
(m) Incorporating features relating to student progression and mobility
(n) Building up greater rapport with the affiliated colleges for their performance enhancement, capacity building and enhancement, and networking with the neighborhood and the community
(o) Securing Inter-University coordination and clustering for accomplishing the goals of CBCS, credit transfer/twinning programs, etc.
(p) Identifying areas of commonality among Universities for coordinated, optimized functioning
(q) Monitoring continuous academic development by providing the IQAC and the Academic Audit Cell with statutory functions
(r) Providing for the Internal Ombudsman
(s) Providing for a grievance redressal portal for the students

With the above criteria for review / modification / incorporation in the new Act, the Committee, while conducting its deliberations, felt that the discussion and debate by the various stakeholders on the Andhra Pradesh Universities Act, 1991, is necessary for giving the benefit of those inputs to the Committee. Accordingly, the AP State Council of Higher Education organized a seminar with the following agenda to which distinguished Vice-Chancellors and Former Vice-Chancellors, Professors of Law, and legal experts were invited:

1. Better governance – academic management and administration of Universities
2. Accountability of the EC, Academic Senate, Vice-Chancellor, and other functionaries
3. Mode of appointment of the Vice-Chancellor and his/her term of office
4. Composition of the Executive Council and the Academic Senate
5. Nature and functions of the Planning and Monitoring Board
6. Appointment of University teachers and the mode of their selection
7. Research and Development and interface with the Industry
8. Skill development initiatives and curricular integration
9. Academic guidance and relationship with affiliated colleges
4.10 Committee on Statutes

The Report of the Committee along with draft Act and Statutes were sent to the Government for taking necessary action and the same are annexed to the agenda for kind perusal of the Members. The salient features of the draft AP University Act were:

1. Signalling the entry of the Higher Education system into the Information and Communication Technology (ICT) and globalized era. The objectives and functions envisage the creation in Universities of online facilities, e-governance modules, preparations for the future virtual University set up, creation and enhancement of the academic infrastructure for curricular flexibility

2. Compulsory accreditation of Universities and colleges and thrust on quality management

3. Adoption of the consortium / cluster-institution approach for knowledge dissemination and transfer and for meeting faculty and infrastructure shortages

4. Setting up of a transparent and uniform Financial Management System

5. Provision for inter-University mobility of teachers and students and twinning programmes

6. Curricular structures to focus on conceptualization, practical / entrepreneurial skill, and innovation by developing appropriate linkages with the industry

7. Teaching staff recruitment, dogged by delays and litigation, to be centralized by the common consent of the Universities as an experimental measure

8. Linking accountability to the functioning of the authorities and officers of the Universities

9. Setting up of Innovation Clubs in Universities and linking them up with academia, industry and the community

10. Linking autonomy and accountability in every sphere of activity of the University including the functioning of the Executive Council

11. Provision for the suspension of the Vice-Chancellor pending enquiry

12. Provision for the compulsory appointment of the Pro-Vice-Chancellor for ensuring continuity and democratization

13. Professionalized functioning of the Academic Senate and the Planning and Monitoring Board and empowering them to conduct periodic reviews on academic micromanagement issues and on autonomy-output relationship.

14. Creation of an Ombudsman for teaching and non-teaching staff dispute resolution

15. Creation of a Grievance Redressal Cell in the University and in colleges to address student grievances

16. Conceptualization of the University as a knowledge hub for the colleges and for causing inter-collegiate academic enhancement

17. Promotion of the School approach and interdisciplinary enquiry
18. Ensuring the continuity of the Executive Council with suitable changes in the nomination component
19. Shrinking the size of the Academic Senate while retaining its representational character and making it more functional
20. The constitution of the Search Committee for the appointment of the Vice-Chancellor to be academic in composition as in the case of the Central Universities
21. The Selection Committee composition changes reconciling 1991 Act requirements and UGC Regulations

4.11 Committee to prepare modalities for establishment of Urdu University
The AP State Council of Higher Education has constituted a Committee on 23/12/2015 with the following Members to workout modalities for setting up of Urdu University at Kurnool. The Andhra Pradesh Cabinet in its meeting held on 02/11/2015 has decided and resolved to (i) set up Urdu University at Kurnool by the State of Andhra Pradesh and (ii) to request the Central Government to set up MANUU center in Kadapa.
1. **Prof. Suleman Siddique**, Former Vice-Chancellor, Osmania University,
2. **Prof. M.M. Sarkar**, Vice-Chancellor, JNT University, Ananthapur
3. **Dr. Mohammad Aslam Parvaiz**, Vice-Chancellor,
   Moulana Azad National Urdu Univ

The Committee submitted the Report on 10/02/2016 along with draft Bill, draft Statutes and Ordinances for establishment of Urdu University.

4.12 Committee to study the need for establishment of Teacher Education University
The Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education (APSCHE) has constituted a committee of experts in the month of May 2015 ‘to study the need for establishing a ‘Teacher Education University’ in the state of Andhra Pradesh’ with the following members.
1. **Prof. S. Padmanabhaiah**, Retired Professor of Education, S.V. University,
2. **Prof. Nimma VenkataRao**, Professor of Education, Andhra University,
3. **Prof. Ghanta Ramesh**, Professor of Education, Maulana Azad National Urdu Univ
4. **Prof. D. Ramakrishnaiah**, Retired Professor of Education, S.V. University,

The Committee submitted its report on 27.2.2016 along with draft Bill.
4.13 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 06/08/2016 held in S.K. University

The Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors was held on 06/08/2016 in S.K. University. The Hon’ble Minister for Higher Education presided over the Conference. The Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors conference took the following decisions.

1. To approve the action taken by the Universities on the resolutions passed during the VCs’ Meet held at JNTU-K, and expedite the action on pending issues.
2. To implement the Biometric system linked with Aadhaar and e-pass towards fee reimbursement and install CC cameras in all Universities, and to facilitate the implementation of Biometric system in all the affiliated colleges by holding a meeting with the concerned Managements and Principals.
3. To ensure geo-tagging of the plantation program taken up under Vanam-Manam in all the Universities and Colleges and upload the information on APSCHE website on or before August 30, 2016.
4. To facilitate landscaping, plantation and beautification of University campuses under Vanam-Manam program
5. To facilitate geo-tagging of University departments and Colleges with details of teachers and students and real time data updation by going for complete automation.
6. To initiate efforts to protect the property of Universities and construction of compound walls under capital grant sanctioned by the government.
7. To conduct a common screening test to fill up the posts of Assistant Professors in different Universities in the state, following the UGC regulations, 2010. The screening test may be confined to a portion of 30% weightage (to be decided) allocated for domain knowledge and teaching skills, retaining the weightages of 50% for Academic Record and Research Performance and 20% for Interview Performance. The screening test may be conducted only for those qualified in NET/SLET or Ph.D. degree holders before 2009. The Universities may be given a free hand in filling up the posts of Associate Professor and Professor through separate advertisements. To entrust the responsibility to conduct the common screening test to a consortium of Universities to be decided by the Govt. of AP.
8. To expedite the process of collaboration with foreign universities in teaching, research and student exchange programs in all the Universities in order to promote internationalization of campuses. The MoUs already reached with foreign universities may be made operational. The information on MoUs with foreign universities may be sent to APSCHE for consolidation at the state level.
9. To evolve modalities for conducting CETs online and facilitate common admission process from next academic year.
10. To develop a common format for sending the information pertaining to affiliated colleges at the APSCHE and the Universities to ensure that the information is sent before the stipulated time.
11. To constitute a committee to examine the issue of transfer of administrative control over Colleges from the Commissioner of Collegiate Education to the respective Universities.
12. To constitute a committee to examine the issue of uniform affiliation fee for the affiliated colleges in all the Universities in the state.
13. To request the Universities to have a strict vigil on the functioning of affiliated colleges and payment of dues to the respective Universities.
14. To request the SPD RUSA to expedite the release of grants under RUSA from MHRD and the concerned Universities to send the DPRs after approval of the respective Executive Councils to the SPD, RUSA for release of grants.
15. To request the eligible Universities to apply for grants under Research and Innovation component of RUSA.
16. To request the Universities to ensure uploading of data by the affiliated colleges on Colleges Management Information System (CMIS) on or before Sep 30 every year on APSCHE website.
17. To request all the Universities and Affiliated Colleges to give a facelift to their respective websites as per International standards.
18. To request all the Universities to develop Smart Classrooms in the campuses.
19. To facilitate the conduct of seminars or debate competitions in the topics identified by the government pertaining to Krishna Pushkaralu by all the Universities and affiliated colleges, by circulating the GO released by the government.
20. To request the Universities to introduce certificate course in at least one foreign language, preferably Japanese, Korean, Chinese and Spanish, in view of the increasing demand for these languages to enhance employability of students.
21. To request the Government to examine the issue of appointment of Finance Officers to the Universities.
22. To request the Universities to ensure the conduct of external audit of their accounts by Chartered Accountants with a standing experience of 25 years or more to ensure the filing of Income Tax returns before September 30, 2016.
23. To request NAAC ‘A’ Grade Universities to apply for linkage under GIAN scheme of the Government of India.
24. To request the Universities to send the list of adopted villages under Unnat Bharat Abhiyan to APSCHE.
25. To request the Universities to facilitate the implementation of Vidyanjali scheme in their respective affiliated colleges.
26. To request the Government to issue Health Cards to all the teaching and non-teaching staff and retired employees of all the State Universities on par with the State Government employees.
27. To request the Government to clarify on the guidelines for construction of buildings under Capital Grants sanctioned to the Universities.
28. To request the Universities to facilitate the initiation and continuation of activities by the respective Alumni Associations.
29. To request the Universities to consider increasing the strength in courses for which there is increasing demand.

4.14 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 13/08/2016 with Hon’ble Union Minister for HRD, Govt. of India

The AP State Council of Higher Education convened meeting of the Vice-Chancellors and Officials of the Higher Education Department with the Hon’ble Union Minister for HRD, Govt. of India Shri. Prakash Jawadekar on 13/08/2016 at Hotel Taj Krishna, Hyderabad.

4.15 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 07/11/2016

The Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 07/11/2016 took decisions on the following:

1. Display the signboards that they are entering into surveillance zone. Employee’s data attendance should be linked to CM dashboard
2. Review of Fee Structure in conventional course at UG and PG level fixing uniform fee.
3. Affiliation fee due from the affiliated colleges to the Universities - Universities should go for automation of its accounts including affiliation fee details. CA firm with 25 Yrs. of standing exp. may be used in addition to AG and LF audit.
4. Uploading of affiliating Colleges performance on University website. - Universities are advised to upload the performance of the affiliated Colleges on the University website before 30th November 2016 without fail.
5. Uploading of data on Colleges information Management system on APSCHE website. Universities are advised to instruct the affiliated Colleges to upload the performance of the affiliated Colleges on the University website before 30th November 2016 without fail.

7. Awarding credits for participating in community development programs. It is resolved to award 2-4 credits for community development programs.

8. To send a report to the APSCHE on participation of Civil Engineers in water resource management.

9. To conduct a Workshop with all VCs, Skill Development Director, Siemens, on integration of courses offered by Siemens.

10. To constitute a committee consisting of Vice-Chancellors of JNTU-K, JNTU-A and RGUKT to frame guidelines for revision of curriculum.

12. To send a report on the closure of the Colleges by the Universities.

13. To refer the approvals sent by APSCHE in the case of New Degree Colleges and send back a report to APSCHE for any revision.

14. To invite a representative from the AP Skill Development Corporation to attend the meetings of the Executive Councils as Special Invitee.

15. To include its Alumni and Final Year Students as members of the Board of Studies.

16. To obtain feedback from the Colleges on the ten foundation courses before the next meeting of the Vice-Chancellors.

17. To identify the courses that overlap with the courses offered by TISS.

### 4.16 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 27/10/2016

The AP State Council of Higher Education convened the meeting of the Vice-Chancellors on 27/10/2016 and discussed the following issues:

(i) Wages of outsourcing staff
(ii) Uniform fee for SFC Courses
(iii) Data on SFC Courses and contract faculty
(iv) Faculty recruitment
(v) NIRF & AISHE
(vi) Any other item
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4.17 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 13/04/2017

The AP State Council of Higher Education convened the meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 13/04/2017 in Hotel Gateway, Vijayawada. The Meeting took decisions on the following:

1. To install bio-metric attendance devices and to complete bio-metric attendance registration on the VIDYAWAAN website and implementation by 31/05/2017 without fail. Further, resolved that there shall be only bio-metric attendance for both students and staff w.e.f. 01/06/2017.

2. To issue G.O. strictly following the recommendations of the rationalization committee to avoid any legal complications and further delay.

3. To motivate the English faculty of all the Constituent colleges, affiliated colleges to actively participate in the training program. All the Universities are informed to address letters to the Principals of the affiliated colleges to send their English faculty to the training programs without fail.

4. To resolve that all the Universities should display the details of the activities undertaken regarding adoption of villages on the University website.

5. To involve Civil Engineering Students actively in the Neeru-Meeru program in the villages.

6. To conduct Common Admissions to both UG and PG Courses in the State for the academic year 2017-18. The modalities will be communicated to the Universities in due course.

7. To develop Management Information System for all Universities that includes student module, faculty module, administration, finance, examination module etc. using RUSA preparatory grant. All the Vice chancellors are informed to send their requirement in consultation with the stakeholders by May 1st for effective development of MIS in all Universities.

8. To request the Government of A.P. to pursue the matter with the Government of India to give exemption of service tax in respect of educational institutions. Further, resolved to request the Govt. of A.P. to exempt from payment of property tax by the Universities.

9. To protect University property, geo tagging, geo fencing and digitalization of land records belonging to the University;

4.18 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 27.12.2017

The AP State Council of Higher Education convened the meeting of the Vice-Chancellors on 27/12/2017. The Vice-Chancellors signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Yunus Social Business Centre (SBC) of Dhaka of Bangladesh which was founded
by Nobel Laureate Muhammad Yunus. The Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors took decision on the following:

1. To issue Faculty recruitment notifications latest by 6th January 2018
2. To prepare common academic calendar for UG & PG Courses
3. To conduct Admissions in Research Program in the State Universities through common entrance test to be conducted by the APSCHE on behalf of the individual State Universities through a Convener
4. To design a common web portal for automation of affiliating system as part of RTGS (Real Time Governance System)

4.19 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 24/01/2018 at Andhra University

The AP State Council of Higher Education convened the Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors with the Hon’ble Governor on 24/01/2018 in Andhra University. The Meeting took decisions on the following:

1. To establish ‘SPIC MACAY’ (Society for the Promotion of Indian Classical Music and Culture among Youth) Centres in every University.
2. To conduct surprise inspections by the Vice-Chancellors of the concerned Universities.
3. To include the outcomes of various Research projects in the Convocation address.
4. Concerted efforts to be taken to provide placement opportunities to the PG Arts and Social Science Students in the Universities.
5. To develop question papers/question bank for University Online Examinations by outside State Experts preferably
6. To initiate steps to provide quality education. Year wise targets and long term targets be kept for each of the University and monitored at regular intervals.
7. To extend Consultancy services with the private sector be encouraged in the Universities. There must be interlinking between the academics and Consultancy services.
8. Universities, which are yet to get UGC 12(F) and 12 (B) status shall apply for the same, whereas other Universities, which are yet to accredited by NAAC, shall go for accreditation.
9. To make bio-metric attendance mandatory and shall be implemented in all Universities and affiliated colleges by the beginning of next academic year.
10. Libraries in the State Universities be interlinked using National Knowledge Network (NKN) and inflibnet.
11. Innovation/Incubation centers in each University be established and the progress to be monitored regularly.
12. Social activities like blood donation, humanitarian services through Youth Red Cross to take up first aid training, life skills, disaster management, stress management programs etc. be encouraged in the Universities by involving NGOs.
13. To initiate steps to improve standards in the research outcomes and original research be encouraged.


The AP State Council of Higher Education has one of the Advisory functions for taking steps for furtherance of Higher Education in the State.

The Government vide Lr.No. 983/UE/A2/2017 Dated 31/03/2017 and G.O.Rt.No. 153 Higher Education Department Dated 07/09/2017 has introduced online courses in English Communication and Soft Skills in Andhra Pradesh in Collaboration with British Council. The Government has authorized the AP State Council of Higher Education to incur expenditure of Rs. 10.99 crores from the funds of the Council to train 1 lakh students in the academic year 2017-18 and to enter into agreement with the British Council in this regard.

4.21 Committee to prepare Ph.D. Regulations

The meeting of the Vice-Chancellors’ held on 27/12/2017 that “admissions in Research Program in the State Universities shall be made through common entrance test to be conducted by the APSCHE on behalf of the individual State Universities through a Convener”. Accordingly, AP State Council of Higher Education has constituted a Committee on 30/01/2018 with the following members.

1. Chairman, APSCHE
2. Vice-Chancellor, Andhra University
3. Vice-Chancellor, Yogi Vemana University
4. Vice-Chancellor, JNTU Anantapur
5. Vice-Chairman, APSCHE – Member Convenor

The Committee submitted its report on 27/04/2018 along with Regulations for admissions into Ph.D. and M.Phil. through AP Research Common Entrance Test.
4.22 **Creation of online affiliation portal**
The AP State Council of Higher Education has created online affiliation portal i.e. Jnanabhumi web portal in association with the Universities in State with the following objectives:

1. Facilitate the fee reimbursement of the students timely.
2. Facilitate the common Academic calendar of the universities.
3. Help to coordinate the Affiliation, Examination and other administrative department of the university.
4. Help to regulate the colleges as per the Geographic location.
5. Help to monitor the quality education in the form of Infrastructure, Lab facilities, Faculty and Performance of students and other amenities.
6. Synchronize the approved strength and actual strength of students.
7. Systematize the affiliation procedure in a single window.
8. Accountability in the affiliation section of concerned university.

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4.23 **Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 28/10/2018**
The AP State Council of Higher Education convened the Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 28/10/2018. The Meeting took the decisions on the following:

1. Project work on community development programs using Multi-disciplinary team - award of Credits/Marks
2. Research admissions
3. Recruitment
4. Offering British Council course as an elective
5. Affiliation fee
6. Mukhyamanthri Yuvanestam Helpline Centers
7. Examination Automation
8. Common Academic Calendar
9. UNESCO meet on Digital Education- Participation of VCs and faculty

4.24 **Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors and Registrars held on 28/10/2018 at Andhra University**
The AP State Council of Higher Education convened the Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors and Registrars on 28/10/2018 at Andhra University.
1. Faculty Recruitment – Already conducted by the Universities and yet to be conducted.
2. Issues related to Contract Faculty
3. Research admissions – conduct of APRCET
4. Project work on community development programs using Multi-Disciplinary Teams (MDTs) - award of Credits/Marks – VCs to come up with proposals
5. Adoption of Villages by Colleges & Universities
6. Collection of Affiliation Fee along with dues
7. Setting up of Placement cells in the universities
8. Biometric Attendance
9. NAD – National Academic Depository
10. NIRF, International Rankings QS RISE Initiative (Rating of Institutions of State Excellence)
11. Finance, Examination Automation & E-office
12. UNESCO meet on Digital Education- Participation of VCs and faculty on 14./1/2018

4.25 Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors held on 26/02/2019 in Vijayawada

The AP State Council of Higher Education convened the Meeting of the Vice-Chancellors on 26/02/2019 in Fortune Murali Park, Vijayawada. The Meeting took decisions on the following issues:

1. Implementation of G.O.No.24 regarding extension of MTS to Contract faculty working in Universities.
5. Data Integration with Jnanabhumi Portal.
6. Short term and long term targets in tune with AP Knowledge Mission, presentation by Universities.
7. Affiliation Fee dues.
8. Measures taken to prevent encroachment of University land.
9. Details of Infrastructure/Construction works in Universities.
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2014-15

5.1 Officers of APSCHE

During the year 2014-2015, the following Officers held the posts of Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary of A.P. State Council of Higher Education.

Chairman : Prof. L. Venugopal Reddy (29.10.2013 to 30.10.2016)
Vice-Chairman : Prof. P. Vijaya Prakash (31.10.2013 to 30.10.2016)
Vice-Chairman : Prof. P. Narasimha Rao (06.01.2015 to 07.06.2018)
Secretary (FAC) : Sri. T. V. Sri Krishna Murthy (01.11.2014 to 22.07.2015)

5.2 Postings

6.2.1 Prof. L.Venugopal Reddy, Professor of Management (Retired), Sri Krishna Devaraya University, Ananatapur & Ex.Vice Chancellor, Andhra University & Acharya Nagarjuna University, was appointed as Chairman of A.P. State Council of Higher Education for a term of three years vide G.O.Ms.No.107 Higher Education (UE.II) Department Dated 29/10/2013.

6.2.2 Prof. P. Vijaya Prakash, Professor of Anthropology (Retired), Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, was appointed as Vice-Chairman II of A.P. State Council of Higher Education for a term of three years vide G.O.Ms.No.109 Higher Education (UE.II) Department Dated 30/10/2013.

6.2.3 Prof. P. Narasimha Rao (Retired), Department of Economics, Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur, was appointed as Vice-Chairman I of A.P. State Council of Higher Education for a term of three years vide G.O.Ms.No.17 Higher Education (UE) Department Dated 06/06/2015.

6.2.4 Sri. T. V. Sri Krishna Murthy, Deputy Director, and APSCHE was appointed as Secretary (FAC) of Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education vide Procgs.Rc.No.APCSHE/Estt.-Secretary-TVSKM/2015 Dated 30/07/2015.

5.3 Budget & Accounts of APSCHE for the year 2014-15 are:

The Government allocated the budget for an amount of Rs. 98, 96 lakhs towards salaries and maintenance of APSCHE for the financial year 2014-15. The extract is detailed hereunder:
### Accounts for 2012-13, BE for 2013-14, RE for 2013-14, BE for 2014-15

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#### 5.4 Officers of APSCHE

During the year 2015-2016, the following Officers held the posts of Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary of A.P. State Council of Higher Education.

- **Chairman**: Prof. L. Venugopal Reddy (29.10.2013 to 30.10.2016)
- **Vice-Chairman**: Prof. P. Vijaya Prakash (31.10.2013 to 30.10.2016)
- **Vice-Chairman**: Prof. P. Narasimha Rao (06.06.2015 to 07.06.2018)
- **Secretary (FAC)**: Sri. T. V. Sri Krishna Murthy (01.11.2014 to 22.07.2015), (01-08-2015 to 19.01.2016)
- **Secretary (IC)**: Dr. B. S. Selina (23.07.2015 to 31.07.2015)
- **Secretary**: Prof. S. Varadarajan (20.1.2016 onwards)

#### 5.5 Postings

5.5.1 Prof. L. Venugopal Reddy, Professor of Management (Retired), Sri Krishna Devaraya University, Anantapur & Ex.Vice Chancellor, Andhra University & Acharya Nagarjuna University, was appointed as Chairman of A.P. State Council of Higher Education for a term of three years vide G.O.Ms.No.107 Higher Education (UE.II) Department Dated 29.10.2013.

5.5.2 Prof. P. Vijaya Prakash, Professor of Anthropology (Retired), Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, was appointed as Vice-Chairman II of A.P. State Council of Higher Education for a term of three years vide G.O.Ms.No.109 Higher Education (UE.II) Department Dated 30.10.2013.

5.5.3 Prof. P. Narasimha Rao (Retired), Department of Economics, Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur, was appointed as Vice-Chairman I of A.P. State Council of Higher Education for a term of three years vide G.O.Ms.No.17 Higher Education (UE) Department Dated 06.06.2015.
5.5.4 Sri. T. V. Sri Krishna Murthy, Deputy Director, and APSCHE was appointed as Secretary (FAC) of Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education vide Procgs.Rc.No.APCSHE/Estt.-Secretary-TVSKM/2015 Dated 30.07.2015.
5.5.5 Dr. B. S. Selina, Academic Officer, APSCHE was appointed as Secretary (IC) of Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education.
5.5.6 Dr. S. Varadarajan, Professor of Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering, S.V.University College of Engineering, Tirupati was appointed as Secretary of Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education vide Procgs.Rc.No.APCSHE/Estt.-Secy.-Dr.SV/2016 Dated 13.01.2016.
5.5.7 The Commissioner of Collegiate Education, Andhra Pradesh has issued orders appointing B.S.Selina, Lecturer as Academic Cell Officer in AP State Council of Higher Education for a period of one year on deputation basis and subsequently extended the period of deputation for another period of two years.
5.5.8 The Government, vide G.O.Rt.No. 106 Dated 09.04.2015 appointed Sri Vemulpalli Kishore as Standing Counsel for A.P. State Council of Higher Education in the High Court of Judicature at Hyderabad for the State of Telangana and the State of Andhra Pradesh for a period of three years from the date of assumption of charge of the post or till the termination of his services, whichever is earlier.

5.6 **Budget & Accounts of APSCHE for the year 2015-16 are:**

The Government allocated the budget for an amount of Rs. 1,07.69 lakhs towards salaries and maintenance of APSCHE for the financial year 2015-16. The extract is detailed hereunder:

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5.7 Officers of APSCHE

During the year 2016-2017, the following Officers held the posts of Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary of A.P. State Council of Higher Education.

Chairman : Prof. L. Venugopal Reddy (29.10.2013 to 30.10.2016)
Vice-Chairman : Prof. P. Vijaya Prakash (31.10.2013 to 30.10.2016)
Vice-Chairman : Prof. P. Narasimha Rao (06.06.2015 to 07.06.2018)
Vice-Chairperson : Prof. V. Valli Kumari (05.12.2016 to 25.07.2018)
Secretary : Prof. S. Varadarajan (20.1.2016 to 19.01.2019)

5.8 Postings

5.8.1 Prof. L. Venugopal Reddy, Professor of Management (Retired), Sri Krishna Devaraya University, Anantapur & Ex.Vice Chancellor, Andhra University & Acharya Nagarjuna University, was appointed as Chairman of A.P. State Council of Higher Education for a term of three years vide G.O.Ms.No.107 Higher Education (UE.II) Department Dated 29.10.2013.

5.8.2 Prof. P. Vijaya Prakash, Professor of Anthropology (Retired), Andhra University, Visakhapatnam, was appointed as Vice-Chairman II of A.P. State Council of Higher Education for a term of three years vide G.O.Ms.No.109 Higher Education (UE.II) Department Dated 30.10.2013.

5.8.3 Prof. P. Narasimha Rao (Retired), Department of Economics, Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur, was appointed as Vice-Chairman I of A.P. State Council of Higher Education for a term of three years vide G.O.Ms.No.17 Higher Education (UE) Department Dated 06.06.2015.

5.8.4 Prof. V. Valli Kumari, Professor, Department of Computer Science & Systems Engineering, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam was appointed as Vice-Chairperson-II of A.P. State Council of Higher Education vide G.O.Ms.No.57 Higher Education (UE) Department Dated 05.12.2016.

5.8.5 Dr. S. Varadarajan, Professor of Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering, S.V.University College of Engineering, Tirupati was appointed as Secretary of Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education vide Procs.Rc.No.APSCHE/Estt.-Secy.-Dr.SV/2016 Dated 13.01.2016.

5.8.6 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 25 Higher Education Department dated 17.2.2017 appointed Dr. E. Venkat as Overseas Networking Advisor to Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education for a period of two years.
5.9 Budget & Accounts of APSCHE for the year 2016-17 are:
The Government allocated the budget for an amount of Rs. 1, 45.08 lakhs towards salaries and maintenance of APSCHE for the financial year 2016-17. The extract is detailed hereunder:

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5.10 Officers of APSCHE

During the year 2017-2018, the following Officers held the posts of Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary of A.P. State Council of Higher Education.

Chairman : Prof. S. Vijaya Raju (02.01.2017 to 27.06.2019)
Vice-Chairman : Prof. P. Narasimha Rao (06.06.2015 to 07.06.2018)
(22.06.2018 to 04.07.2019)
Vice-Chairperson : Prof. V. Valli Kumari (05.12.2016 to 25.07.2018)
Secretary : Prof. S. Varadarajan (20.01.2016 to 19.01.2019)

5.11 Postings

5.11.1 Prof. S. Vijaya Raju, Principal, ANU College of Arts, Commerce & Law and Professor of Department of Commerce & Business Administration, ANU was appointed as Chairman, A.P. State Council of Higher Education vide G.O.Ms.No.1, Higher Education (UE) Department Dated 2.1.2017.
5.11.2 Prof. P. Narasimha Rao (Retired), Department of Economics, Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur, was appointed as Vice-Chairman I of A.P. State Council of Higher Education for a term of three years vide G.O.Ms.No.21, Higher Education (UE) Department Dated 22.6.2018.
5.11.3 Prof. V. Valli Kumari, Professor, Department of Computer Science & Systems Engineering, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam was appointed as Vice-Chairperson-II of A.P. State Council of Higher Education vide G.O.Ms.No.57 Higher Education (UE) Department Dated 05.12.2016.
5.11.4 Dr. S. Varadarajan, Professor of Department of Electronics & Communication Engineering, S.V.University College of Engineering, Tirupati was appointed as Secretary of Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education vide Progs.Rc.No.APSCHE/Estt.-1110-Dr.SV/2017 Dated 10.11.2017.


5.12 The US Consulate selected the individual, Smt. B.S.Selina, Lecturer in English, who is working on deputation with APSCHE for International Visitor Leadership Program, sponsored by US Department of State, US, which is a 3-week group project entitled “Internationalizing and Engaging State-Level Higher Education” from 1st April to 24th April, 2017. The individual attended the Program with the expenses of US.

5.13 Budget & Accounts of APSCHE for the year 2017-18 are:

The Government allocated the budget for an amount of Rs. 2, 13.36 lakhs towards salaries and maintenance of APSCHE for the financial year 2017-18. The extract is detailed hereunder:

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5.14 Officers of APSCHE

During the year 2018-2019, the following Officers held the posts of Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Secretary of A.P. State Council of Higher Education.

Chairman : Prof. S. Vijaya Raju (02.01.2017 to 27.06.2019)
Vice-Chairman : Prof. P. Narasimha Rao (06.06.2015 to 07.06.2018)
(22.06.2018 to 04.07.2019)
Vice-Chairperson : Prof. V.Valli Kumari (05.12.2016 to 25.07.2018)
Secretary (I/C) : Sri. T. V. Sri Krishna Murthy (20.01.2019 to 20.02.2019)

5.15 Postings

5.12.1 Prof. S. Vijaya Raju, Principal, ANU College of Arts, Commerce & Law and Professor of Department of Commerce & Business Administration, ANU was appointed as Chairman, A.P. State Council of Higher Education vide G.O.Ms.No.1, Higher Education (UE) Department Dated 2.1.2017.

5.12.2 Prof. P. Narasimha Rao (Retired), Department of Economics, Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur, was appointed as Vice-Chairman I of A.P. State Council of Higher Education for a term of three years vide G.O.Ms.No.21, Higher Education (UE) Department Dated 22.6.2018.

5.12.3 Prof. V. Valli Kumari, Professor, Department of Computer Science & Systems Engineering, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam was appointed as Vice-Chairperson-II of A.P. State Council of Higher Education vide G.O.Ms.No.57 Higher Education (UE) Department Dated 05.12.2016.

5.12.4 Sri. T. Koteswara Rao, Professor (Retired), Department of Economics, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam was appointed as Vice-Chairman-II of A.P. State Council of Higher Education vide G.O.Rt.No.159 Higher Education (UE) Department Dated 25.07.2018.

5.12.5 Prof. V. Valli Kumari, Professor, Department of Computer Science & Systems Engineering, Andhra University, Visakhapatnam presently working as Vice-Chairperson-II of A.P. State Council of Higher Education was appointed as Member of Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education vide G.O.Ms.No.159 Higher Education (UE) Department Dated 25.07.2018.

5.12.6 Sri. T. V. Sri Krishna Murthy, Deputy Director, and APSCHE was appointed as Secretary (FAC) of Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education vide Procs.Rc.No.APCSHE/Estt.1110-Sec-Prof.SVR- Relieving/2019 Dated 19.01.2019.

5.12.7 The Government in its Lr.No. 5005/UE/A1/2017 Dated 18.2.2019 has directed the Chairman, AP State Council of Higher Education to appoint Dr. S. Varadarajan as Secretary, AP State Council of Higher Education till a regular Secretary is posted.
5.16 Budget & Accounts of APSCHE for the year 2018-19 are:

The Government allocated the Zero budget for salaries and maintenance of APSCHE for the financial year 2018-19. The extract is detailed hereunder:

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COUNCIL FUNDING ON ACADEMIC AND ADMINISTRATIVE ACTIVITIES
The AP State Council of Higher Education has been funding academic, administrative and other committees constituted by the Government for various purposes. The details of such funding in the year are detailed hereunder.

2014-15

6.1 The Government vide G.O. Rt. No. 234 Higher Education (EC) Dept., Dated 12.05.2014 to the Chairman, APSCHE in relaxation of the ban orders on purchase of vehicles, to purchase two cars with an amount of Rs. 33.00 lakhs for the use of Chairman, AFRC (Admission Committee) & Chairman, AFRC (Fee Fixation Committee), Hyderabad, subject to the condition that the expenditure be met from the internal resources of APSCHE.

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6.2 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 41 Higher Education (UE) Department dated 05.08.2014 has requested the AP State Council of Higher Education to facilitate complete financial assistance for the entire process of the State Teacher Awards including the final State Awards function. Accordingly, the AP State Council of Higher Education provided financial assistance of Rs. 16.72 lakhs to conduct State Teacher Award Function 2015 including payment of cash awards etc., from the funds of AP State Council of Higher Education.

2016-17

6.3 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 41 Higher Education (UE) Department dated 05.08.2014 has requested the AP State Council of Higher Education to facilitate complete financial assistance for the entire process of the State Teacher Awards including the final State Awards function. Accordingly, the AP State Council of Higher Education provided financial assistance of Rs. 10.68 lakhs to conduct State Teacher Award Function 2016 including payment of cash awards etc., from the funds of AP State Council of Higher Education.

6.4 The Government has constituted a committee, vide G.O.Rt.No. 131 Dated 15.06.2016 to create strong mechanism in all Private Un-aided Engineering Colleges in the State, to cause inspection of the Private Un-aided Engineering Colleges and to ensure maintenance of standards as prescribed by AICTE and affiliated Universities. The Council incurred expenditure of Rs. 12 lakhs from Council funds.
6.5 The AP State Council of Higher Education has incurred an expenditure of Rs. 5 lakhs from the funds of the Council for curriculum development of UG choice based credit system.

**2017-18**

6.6 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 41 Higher Education (UE) Department dated 05.08.2014 has requested the AP State Council of Higher Education to facilitate complete financial assistance for the entire process of the State Teacher Awards including the final State Awards function. Accordingly, the AP State Council of Higher Education provided financial assistance of Rs. 24.66 lakhs to conduct State Teacher Award Function 2016 including payment of cash awards etc., from the funds of AP State Council of Higher Education.

6.7 The Council provided financial assistance of Rs. 9.32 lakhs for She Builds Tech Workshop for girls from under-served communities in AP in computer coding.

6.8 The Government vide Lr.No. 983/UE/A1/2017 Higher Education Department dated 31.03.2017 has accorded permission to introduce online courses in English communication and soft skills in AP for 1,00,000 (one lakh) students in the Academic Year 2017-18 in collaboration with the British Council as a pilot project with an estimated cost of Rs. 10.99 crores and permitted to enter into an agreement with British Council. The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 153 Higher Education (UE) Department dated 07.09.2017 have authorized the Secretary, APSCHE to incur expenditure for the pilot project from the funds of APSCHE. The Council paid Rs. 7.16 crores to the British Council.

6.9 The Council incurred an amount of Rs. 2 lakhs from the funds of the Council for undertaking survey on the need of private unaided degree colleges in the State.

6.10 The Council incurred an amount of Rs. 32.67 lakhs from the funds of the Council for training 107 Master Trainers in English Communication Skills.

6.11 The Government has authorised, vide Lr.No. 983/UE/A2/2017 Dated 31.03.2017 and G.O.Rt.No. 153 Higher Education Department Dated 07.09.2017, the AP State Council of Higher Education to incur expenditure of Rs. 10.99 crores from the funds of the Council to train 1 lakh students in the academic year 2017-18 and to enter into agreement with the British Council.

**2018-19**

6.12 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 167 Higher Education (HE) Department dated 31.07.2018 has stated that the Hon’ble Chief Minister desires to have interaction with the students from all Universities in the State in each of 13 districts from August 2018 onwards as a part of one day workshop on “Global Competitiveness for Capacity Building”. Further, it is stated that the ratio of APSCHE is 60% and Universities is 40%
on the expenditure for conducting such programs. The seed money for conducting each program is Rs. 1 crore.

6.13 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 168 Higher Education (UE) Department dated 31.07.2018 has revised the ratio of expenditure between the APSCHE and the Universities. The revised ratio for APSCHE is 40% and the Universities is 60%.

6.14 The AP State Council of Higher Education incurred Rs. 682.49 lakhs from funds of APSCHE for conduct of Global Competitiveness for Capacity Building in the universities of the State.

6.15 The Council incurred an expenditure for an amount of Rs.19 lakhs from the funds of the Council for updating the curriculum in the Engineering courses.

6.16 The Council incurred an expenditure for an amount of Rs. 10 lakhs from the funds of the Council to conduct training programs to the teachers for MOOCS.

6.17 The Council incurred an expenditure for an amount of Rs. 3 lakhs from the funds of the Council to conduct AP Science Congress.
ACTS AND
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The issuance of Acts and Government Orders on the matters related to APSCHE and Universities in that year is furnished for ready reference.

2014-15

7.1 The Government vide G.O. Rt. No. 234 Higher Education (EC) Dept., Dated 12.05.2014 to the Chairman, APSCHE in relaxation of the ban orders on purchase of vehicles, to purchase two cars with an amount of Rs. 33.00 lakhs for the use of Chairman, AFRC (Admission Committee) & Chairman, AFRC (Fee Fixation Committee), Hyderabad, subject to the condition that the expenditure be met from the internal resources of APSCHE.

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7.2 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 24 Higher Education (EC) Department dated 10.3.2016 has issued orders amending G.O.Ms.No. 49 Dated 25.06.2013 enhanced the processing fee from Rs. 500 to Rs. 5,000 and also imposed certain penalty provisions.

7.3 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 378 Higher Education Department dated 05.08.2015 has a constituted a Committee with Chairman and Vice-Chairman, APSCHE as one of the Members of the Committee to visit certain Universities in Punjab and Uttar Pradesh along with the Hon’ble Minister for HRD.

7.4 The Parliament enacted Act No. 6 of 2014 titled AP Re-Organization Act bifurcating the districts of the erstwhile of AP into two States i.e. State of Telangana comprising of 10 districts and State of Andhra Pradesh comprising 13 districts.

7.5 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 46 Finance (HRM.IV-PC) Department Dated 30.04.2014 issued AP Revised Pay Scales of 2015 and implemented notionally w.e.f 01.07.2013 and with monetary benefit from 02.06.2014 and the benefit of the revised pay scales w.e.f. the salary for the month of April, 2015.

7.6 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 23 Higher Education Department dated 19.06.2015 issued orders reserving 1% seats under NCC category for admission into Engineering Courses.

7.7 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 26 Higher Education Department dated 20.07.2015 issued orders for admissions into MBA/MCA courses in lateral entry candidates who passed or appeared BCA or Bachelor’s Degree in IT/CS with Mathematics at 10+2 or Degree level should obtain at least 55% marks in the qualifying examination.
7.8 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 27 Higher Education Department dated 20.7.2015 issued orders providing 20% of supernumerary seats on sanctioned intake of seats in 2nd year MCA regular courses.

7.9 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 32 Higher Education Department dated 03.09.2015 issued rules for conduct of Andhra Pradesh Dual Degree Management Common Entrance Test for entry into 5 year Integrated Dual Degree Course in Management i.e. DDMCET / DDMCET-AC.

7.10 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 47 Higher Education Department dated 02.12.2015 issued orders identifying Andhra University as State Agency and appointing the Chairman, Member Secretary and constituting Steering Committee and Moderation Committee for conducting State Level Eligibility Test (SLET).


7.12 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 129 Higher Education Department Dated 08.04.2015 issued orders for locating Indian Institute of Science Education Research (IISER) at Chittoor District.


7.15 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 157 Higher Education Department dated 25.04.2015 constituted All India Survey on Higher Education (AISHE) State Unit with Prof. L Venugopal Reddy, Chairman, APSCHE as Chairperson of the Unit for AISHE activities.

7.16 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 253 Higher Education Department dated 29.05.2015 nominated Prof. V. ValliKumari as Nodal Officer for Digital India Week.

7.17 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 276 Higher Education Department dated 17.06.2015 constituted Inspection Committee for re-examination of the inspection reports of the Committees on Engineering Colleges with Chairman, APSCHE.

7.18 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 344 Higher Education Department dated 25.07.2015 constituted Project Monitoring Unit for monitoring and evaluation frame work for Key Performance Indicators with Prof. P. Narasimha Rao, Vice-Chairman, APSCHE as one of the members of the Unit.

7.19 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 351 Higher Education Department Dated 22.07.2015 has introduced of Japanese language courses in selected (3) Universities viz. (1) Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur (2) Andhra University, Visakhapatnam (3) Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati from the academic year 2015-2016.
The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 378 Higher Education Department dated 05.08.2015 constituted a team with the Chairman as one of the Members of the team to visit certain universities in Punjab and Uttar Pradesh along with the Minister for HRD to convert the State into a ‘Knowledge Society’ by reinforcing education institutions.

The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 390 Higher Education Department Dated 10.08.2015 constituted a High Power Committee to fill up teaching posts in various universities in the State.

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The Government vide, G.O. Ms. No. 35 Dated 01.06.2016 has amended APSCHE Act 16 of 1988 (i) substituting the words “State Capital of Andhra Pradesh” instead of the word “Hyderabad” and omitted (ii) the words Osmania University and Kakatiya University.

The Government has constituted a Committee, vide Lr.No. 9289/UE/A2/2015-4 dated 19.08.2016 with T.V. Sri Krishna Murthy, Deputy Director, APSCHE as one of the Members of the Committee to conduct enquiry on award of Pay Band of Rs.37400-67000 with AGP of Rs.9000/- in violation of UGC Regulations.

The Government has constituted a Committee vide G.O.Rt.No. 221 Higher Education (UE) Department dated 30.09.2016 with T.V. Sri Krishna Murthy, Deputy Director, APSCHE as one of the Members of the Inquiry Committee to conduct the enquiry on the allegations of serious irregularities committed by the authorities of Acharya Nagarjuna University relating to the appointments, regularization and payment of salaries.

The Government has constituted a Committee vide G.O.Rt.No. 234 Higher Education (UE) Department dated 22.10.2018 with T.V. Sri Krishna Murthy, Deputy Director, APSCHE as Convener of the Inquiry Committee to conduct enquiry on the allegations levelled against the University authorities in recruitment process of teaching faculty at Andhra University.

The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 10 Dated 17.03.2017 amended G.O.Ms.No. 73 Dated 25.09.2012 (admissions into Architecture courses) with regard to remittance of receipts to APSCHE, collection of processing fee for ratification of admissions, imposing fine for violation of rules etc.,


The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 13 Dated 17.03.2017 amended G.O.Ms.No. 61 Dated 26.05.2006 (admissions into later entry Diploma holders) with regard to
remittance of receipts to APSCHE, collection of processing fee for ratification of admissions, imposing fine for violation of rules etc.,

7.29 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 14 Dated 17.03.2017 amended G.O.Ms.No. 59 Dated 26.05.2006 (admissions into MBA and MCA Courses) with regard to remittance of receipts to APSCHE, collection of processing fee for ratification of admissions, imposing fine for violation of rules etc.

7.30 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 15 Dated 17.3.2017 amended G.O.Ms.No. 15 Rt. 17.03.2017 (admissions into M.Tech. M.Pharm) with regard to remittance of receipts to APSCHE, collection of processing fee for ratification of admissions, imposing fine for violation of rules etc.

7.31 The Government vide Act 3 of 2016 facilitated the establishment of Private Universities in the State w.e.f. 25.01.2016 and the Act came into force vide G.O.Ms.No. 31 Higher Education Department dated 12.05.2016.

7.32 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 34 Higher Education Department dated 01.06.2016 issued orders amending JNTU Act 30 of 20008 with regard to deleting JNTU University, Hyderabad from the schedule of the Act.

7.33 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 35 Higher Education Department dated 01.06.2016 issued orders amending APSCHE Act 16 of 1988 with regard to deleting the words Osmania University, Hyderabad and Kakatiya University, Warangal from the composition of the Council.

7.34 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 36 Higher Education Department dated 01.06.2016 issued orders amending AP University Act 4 of 1991 with regard to deleting the words Osmania University, Kakatiya University, Satavahana University, Nalgonda University, Karimnagar University, Palamuru University, Telangana University from the schedule of the Act.


7.36 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No.38 Higher Education Department dated 23.06.2016 with regard to implementation of UGC Regulations 2010 to the teachers working in the Universities and Colleges.
7.37 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 46 Higher Education Department dated 15.07.2016 waived the recovery of pension raised due to implementation of Court orders and continue them under UGC consolidation without any option to switchover to State scales for their advantages due to consolidation of pension to the pre-1996 UGC Pensioners.

7.38 The Government vide G.O.Rt.NO. 131 Higher Education Department dated 15.06.2016 constituted an Inspection Committee with the Vice-Chairman, APSCHE as one of the Members to cause inspection of Private Un-aided Engineering Colleges and to ensure maintenance of standards as prescribed by AICTE and affiliated Universities.


7.40 The Government vide Act No. 13 of 2016 established Dr. Abdul Haq Urdu University at Kurnool w.e.f. 07.05.2016

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7.41 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 102 Dated 27.6.2017 accorded approval in principle to enhance the age of superannuation from 58 years to 60 years to the employees working in the institutions in IX and X Schedule Institutions.

7.42 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 135 Higher Education (EC) Department dated 03.07.2018 has constituted a Committee with T.V. Sri Krishna Murthy, Deputy Director, AP State Council of Higher Education to examine the amendment of G.O.Ms.No. 11 dated 07.03.2017 proposed by the Special Commissioner for Technical Education.

7.43 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 22 Higher Education Department dated 18.05.2017 issued rules to process the proposals of AP Private Universities.


7.45 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 174 Higher Education Department dated 18.10.2017 has constituted a State Level Quality Assurance Coordination Committee with Secretary, APSCHE as one of the Members of the Committee to work in coordination with NAAC under MHRD, Govt. of India.

7.46 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 48 Higher Education Department dated 20.03.2018 has constituted a District level Anti Ragging Committee to curb the menace of ragging in HEIs as per UGC Regulations 2009.
7.47 The Government vide Lr.No. 983/UE/A2/2017 dated 31.3.2017 and G.O.Rt.No. 153 Higher Education Department dated 07.09.2017 has introduced online courses in English Communication and Soft Skills in Andhra Pradesh in Collaboration with British Council. The Government has authorized the AP State Council of Higher Education to incur expenditure of Rs. 10.99 crores from the funds of the Council to train 1 lakh students in the academic year 2017-18 and to enter into agreement with the British Council in this regard.

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7.49 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 16 Higher Education Department dated 17.05.2018 has prescribed the qualifications to the Degree Lecturers working in the Autonomous Degree Colleges.

7.50 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 135 Higher Education Department dated 03.07.2018 constituted a Committee with the T.V. Sri Krishna Murthy, Deputy Director, APSCHE as Member Convener to examine the amendments to GO Ms.No. 11 dated 07.03.2017 proposed by the Special Commissioner for Technical Education.

7.51 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 4 Higher Education Department dated 11.01.2019 permitted to utilize the services of AP Online for the academic year 2019-20 for conducting computer based test for admission into various technical and professional courses.


7.53 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 206 Higher Education Department dated 25.09.2018 kept the Chairman, APSCHE as In-charge Chancellor to RGUKT.

7.54 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 267 Higher Education Department dated 27.11.2018 constituted a Committee with Chairman APSCHE as one of the Members of the Committee to examine 7th Central Pay Commission Scales and UGC Regulations 2018 and to implement to the teaches working in the Universities and Colleges.

7.55 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 282 Higher Education Department dated 31.12.2018 upgraded the post of the Deputy Director as Joint Director and promoted the existing Deputy Director as Joint Director in AP State Council of Higher Education.

7.56 The Government vide G.O.Rt.No. 8 Higher Education Department dated 07.02.2018 has constituted a Committee, with Secretary, APSCHE as one of the Members of the Committee, on the issues of Assistant Professors / Lecturers working on contract basis in the State Universities.
7.57 The Government vide G.O.Ms.No. 18 dated 28.05.2018 amended the G.O.Ms.No.75 Higher Education (EC.2) Department, dated 28.07.2011 and issued orders that the competent authority shall take prior approval of Government for an appointment of Convener EAMCET admissions”.

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8. JUDGEMENTS OF HON’BLE COURTS

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8.1 Judgment of Hon’ble High Court on AP State Council of Higher Education dated 01.05.2015:

The AP State Council of Higher Education is specified in S.No. 27 of X Schedule under Section 75 of AP Reorganization Act so as to continue to provide the facilities to the people of other State. Instead of utilizing the services of AP State Council of Higher Education, the State of Telangana has adapted the APSCHE Act and set up Telangana State Council of Higher Education. The Telangana State Council of Higher Education wrote letters to all banks where the APSCHE accounts opened to freeze the accounts of APSCHE. Accordingly, the State Bank of Hyderabad vide Lr.No. F/APSCHE/300 dated 28.01.2015, addressed to the Secretary, APSCHE stated that:

Both the successor State Governments are claiming amounts from the account. Further, the Government of Telangana issued a Circular Memo No. 8448-E/128/DCM/A1/2014 dated 30.10.2014 to all banks advising them not to allow withdrawals from the accounts of institution until bifurcation process is completed. It is therefore decided by the bank to freeze the accounts until both parties amicably settle their dispute and give the bank a valid mandate for dealing with the amounts in the accounts.

The AP State Council of Higher Education questioned the action of the State Bank of Hyderabad before the Hon’ble High Court of Judicature for the State of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh at Hyderabad at W.P.No. 1873 of 2015. When the interim application in the said W.P. came up for hearing, the Telangana Government impleaded in W.P., took time for filing counter and later filed a counter W.P. in W.P.No. 2882 of 2015 claiming the assets and funds of all Schedule-X institutions on the basis of location.

The above said two W.P.s have been heard in a batch by the Hon’ble High Court and through a common order, the Hon’ble High Court has ordered that the Schedule-X institutions to go through the respective successor States based on the location and allowed the plea of the State of Telangana vide its Order dated 01.05.2015. Further, the Hon’ble High Court observed that the APSCHE is ceased to exist on adaptation of APSCHE Act by the State of Telangana for setting up of Telangana State Council of Higher Education and also directed that the funds, assets of APSCHE will vest to the
TSCHE. The extract of the judgment (copy of the judgment is annexed to the agenda) is detailed hereunder:

35. Now, the core issue in these matters is as to who can claim the ownership and control of this Council.

36. If the aforesaid Section is read carefully, it would appear, as rightly contended by the learned Advocate General for the State of Telangana, that the State Council, which was in existence on the appointed day is to be and/or deemed to have been allocated to the State of Telangana as this Council is located at Hyderabad which is a part of the State of Telangana as mentioned in Section 3 of Act, 2014. Since the Council comprises of land and building, it is essentially an immovable property and it remains at a place where it is.

37. We are unable to accept the contention of the learned A.G. for the State of Andhra Pradesh that since Hyderabad is a common capital for the State of Andhra Pradesh, this Council which was in existence prior to the appointed day would continue to remain and would stand allocated to the State of Andhra Pradesh as its property.

38. On a fair reading of Section 5 of Act, 2014, as correctly contended by the learned A.G. for the State of Telangana, the State of Andhra Pradesh is a mere user of the city of Hyderabad for a maximum period of ten years. It has no proprietary right, title and interest in this city and none of the assets which belong to the erstwhile State of Andhra Pradesh, located at Hyderabad, can be claimed by the State of Andhra Pradesh except in accordance with Act, 2014. Similarly, any institutions mentioned in the tenth schedule, situated in the territory of bifurcated State of Andhra Pradesh will stand allocated to that State and the State of Telangana cannot have any claim over the said property. For example, Sri Padmavathi Mahila University, Tirupati, which is situated in Tirupati, at Sl.No.57 of the tenth schedule, will stand allocated exclusively to the State of Andhra Pradesh. However, despite this legal status of the institutions mentioned in the tenth schedule, they will continue to serve the people of the other State within which it is not located, which will not be less favorable to such people than what were being provided to them before the appointed day, for such period and upon such terms and conditions as may be agreed upon between the two State Governments within one year from the date of the appointed day.

39. At present, as far as this Council is concerned, there has been no agreement and the period of one year is yet to be over also. It does not appear that the Central Government has intervened in the matter. But, it would be open for both the States to work out this issue.

40. Therefore, in this case, factually, it appears that by virtue of G.O.Ms.No.5 dated 02.08.2014 the Government of Telangana, in exercise of powers under Section 101 of Act, 2014, has adopted the Act, 1988 with modification that it should be read as Andhra...
Because of the adaptation with amendments in the eye of law, APSC has no existence, at least in Hyderabad, or in any part of Telangana State, if there be any branch of this office. It further appears that consequent upon the aforesaid adaptation with amendment by G.O.Ms.No.6 dated 5.8.2014 and by G.O.Ms.No.7 dated 05.08.2014, a notification is issued for changing composition of the body and fresh appointments of Chairman, Vice-Chairman and other Members have also been made.

41. Under such circumstances, the assets and properties and funds whatever lying at the present location of the APSC belong to TSC.

42. We cannot accept the contention of the learned A.G. for the State of Andhra Pradesh that by a Government Order a statute cannot be amended in view of the specific provision of Section 101 of Act, 2014.

43. When the Legislature has delegated this power to the Government under the Statute itself, it is deemed to be an Act of the Legislature. Therefore, this contention has no force at all and this provision, if read along with Section 100 of Act, 2014, as the power of adaptation with amendments has been expressly provided in the aforesaid provision of law.

44. In view of the aforesaid discussion, we are constrained to hold that the claim made by the APSC is not sustainable under law. Of course, if there had been any branch of this APSC within the territory of the present State of Andhra Pradesh, it might have continued to function as a fractured and divided body. As there is none, it would be open for the State of Andhra Pradesh to negotiate with the State of Telangana as per provisions of Section 75 of Act, 2014, as above for its services.

45. We therefore declare that all the bankers of the erstwhile APSC will recognize and allow the present TSC to operate the Bank accounts.

8.2 Judgment of Hon’ble Supreme Court on AP State Council of Higher Education dated 18.03.2016:

Aggrieved by the above said judgment of the Hon’ble High Court, the State of Andhra Pradesh and the A.P. State Council of Higher Education filed SLP Nos. 14075, 14076 and 14712 of 2015 in Hon’ble Supreme Court of India. The Hon’ble Supreme Court of India has passed interim orders dated 13.05.2015 as detailed hereunder:

It is however, clarified that the observations in the Impugned Judgment to the effect that the Andhra Pradesh State Council has ceased to exist is held in abeyance. Andhra Pradesh State Council is therefore free to conduct entrance test in respect of the Institutions which are located in the State of Andhra Pradesh.
The SLPs which were later admitted and got numbered as Civil Appeals No. 3019-3021 of 2016. The State of Telangana and the Union of India represented by the Secretary, Ministry of Home Affairs filed their counters in the said Civil Appeals which were heard at length by the Supreme Court of India and finally resulted in judgment dated 18.03.2016 (Copy of the judgment is annexed to the agenda). In the said judgment, the Hon’ble Supreme Court of India has clearly ordered that the assets, funds and liabilities of institutions mentioned in Schedule-X are to be distributed / bifurcated on the basis of population ratio of 58:42 and will not to the State based on location. Further, both the State Governments have come to an agreement and in case of failure to arrive at an agreement, the matter has to be referred to Government of India, which shall settle the dispute by appointing a Committee within two months of the reference of the dispute. Thus, both the State of Andhra Pradesh and Telangana have to come to an agreement as to the quantum of amount and extent of assets to be distributed / divided between the two States at the first instance. The extract of the judgment is detailed hereunder:

18. We have heard the learned senior counsel appearing on behalf of the parties. The short point which arises for our consideration is whether the High Court was right in upholding the action of the Banks in freezing the accounts of APSC.

19. We are unable to agree with the contentions advanced by the learned senior counsel appearing for the State of Telangana.

20. The Constitution of India envisages a federal feature, which has been held to be a part of the basic structure of the Constitution of India, as has been held by the seven Judge Bench of this Court in the case of *S.R. Bommai & Ors. v. Union of India*2, wherein Justice K. Ramaswamy in his concurring opinion elaborated as under:

“247. Federalism envisaged in the Constitution of India is a basic feature in which the Union of India is permanent within the territorial limits set in Article 1 of the Constitution and is indestructible. The State is the creature of the Constitution and the law made by Articles 2 to 4 with no territorial integrity, but a permanent entity with its boundaries alterable by a law made by Parliament. Neither the relative importance of the legislative entries in Schedule VII, Lists I and II of the Constitution, nor the fiscal control by the Union per se are decisive to conclude that the Constitution is unitary. The respective legislative powers are traceable to Articles 245 to 254 of the Constitution. The State qua the Constitution is federal in structure and independent in its exercise of legislative and executive power. However, being the creature of the Constitution the State has no right to secede or claim sovereignty. Qua the Union, State is quasi-federal. Both are coordinating institutions and ought to exercise their respective powers with adjustment, understanding and accommodation to render socio-economic and political justice
to the people, to preserve and elongate the constitutional goals including secularism.

248. The preamble of the Constitution is an integral part of the Constitution. Democratic form of Government, federal structure, unity and integrity of the nation, secularism, socialism, social justice and judicial review are basic features of the Constitution. " (emphasis laid by this Court)

22. The issue of bifurcation of states is both sensitive as well as tricky. Adequate care has to be taken by the legislature while drafting legislations such as the Reorganization Act, 2014 to ensure a smooth division of all assets, liabilities and funds between the states to make sure that the interests of the citizens living in these states are protected adequately. Therefore, care must be taken to ensure that no discrimination is done against either of the successor state. Thus while interpreting statutes of such nature, the courts must ensure that all parts of the statute are given effect to. An eleven Judge Bench of this Court in the case of H.H. Maharajadhiraja Madhav Rao Jivaji Rao Scindia Bahadur of Gwalior & Ors. v. Union of India was held as under:

"The Court will interpret a statute as far as possible, agreeably to justice and reason and that in case of two or more interpretations, one which is more reasonable and just will be adopted, for there is always a presumption against the law maker intending injustice and unreason. The Court will avoid imputing to the Legislature an intention to enact a provision which flouts notions of justice and norms of fair play, unless a contrary intention is manifest from words plain and unambiguous. A provision in a statute will not be construed to defeat its manifest purpose and general values which animate its structure. In an avowedly democratic polity, statutory provisions ensuring the security of fundamental human rights including the right to property will, unless the contrary mandate be precise and unqualified, be construed liberally so as to uphold the right. These rules apply to the interpretation of Constitutional and statutory provisions alike."

23. In the case of Prakash Kumar@ Prakash Bhutto v. State of Gujarat, a constitution bench of this Court held as under:

"By now it is well settled Principle of Law that no part of a statute and no word of a statute can be construed in isolation. Statutes have to be construed so that every word has a place and everything is in its place. It is also trite that the statute or rules made thereunder should be read as a whole and one provision should be construed with reference to the other provision to make the provision consistent with the object sought to be achieved."
In Reserve Bank of India v. Peerless General Finance and Investment Co. Ltd. this Court said:

"33. Interpretation must depend on the text and the context. They are the basis of interpretation. One may well say if the text is the texture, context is what gives the color. Neither can be ignored. Both are important. That interpretation is best which makes the textual interpretation match the contextual. A statute is best interpreted when we know why it was enacted. With this knowledge, the statute must be read, first as a whole and then section by section, clause by clause, phrase by phrase and word by word. If a statute is looked at, in the context of its enactment, with the glasses of the statute-maker, provided by such context, its scheme, the sections, clauses, phrases and words may take color and appear different than when the statute is looked at without the glasses provided by the context. With these glasses we must look at the Act as a whole and discover what each section, each clause, each phrase and each word is meant and designed to say as to fit into the scheme of the entire Act. No part of a statute and no word of a statute can be construed in isolation. Statutes have to be construed so that every word has a place and everything is in its place."

24. It is natural that when an existing State if bifurcated to form two new States, there must be an equitable bifurcation of the assets and liabilities of the statutory bodies among the two successor States as well, to ensure welfare of the public at large residing within these territories.

25. In the instant case, the State of Telangana has claimed ownership over the entire funds and assets of the (erstwhile) APSC. This could surely not have been the intention of the legislature while enacting the Re-organization Act, 2014. The main thrust of the argument of both the learned senior counsel appearing on behalf of State of Telangana, as well as the impugned judgment and order passed by the High Court is that the successor State of Andhra Pradesh has absolutely no right over the institutions in the city of Hyderabad, by virtue of the fact that Hyderabad falls in the successor State of Telangana. Heavy reliance has also been placed on Section 75 of the Re-organization Act, 2014, on the ground that the assets belonging to the specified institutions of the Tenth Schedule exclusively belong to the State institutions, since the Act does not provide any apportionment to them. We are wholly unable to agree with this contention advanced on behalf of the State of Telangana. If this contention is accepted, it would render Section 47 of the Act, which provides for the apportionment of assets and liabilities among the successor States, useless and nugatory.
26. The action of the Banks of freezing the bank accounts of APSC is wholly untenable in law, which must be set aside. By no stretch of imagination can it be assumed that the complete takeover of assets of the erstwhile APSC by TSC, on the ground that the State institution happens to be in Hyderabad, which is now a part of Telangana, was what the legislature had in contemplation while enacting the Reorganization Act, 2014.

27. For the reasons stated supra, the common impugned judgment and order passed by the High Court of judicature at Hyderabad for the States of Telangana and Andhra Pradesh in Writ Petition Nos. 1873 and 2882 of 2015, upholding the freezing of the bank accounts of APSC being unsustainable in law is liable to be set aside and set aside. Accordingly, the appeals filed by the State of Andhra Pradesh and APSC are allowed.

28. Having allowed the appeal filed by APSC, we also hold that the action of freezing of the bank accounts of APSC is bad in law on account of the fact that what has been frozen is not just the pre bifurcation amount, but also the amounts collected by APSC for the period after the bifurcation in relation to the thirteen districts of the successor State of Andhra Pradesh. Accordingly, APSC must be allowed to operate their bank accounts in respect of the thirteen districts which fall within State of Andhra Pradesh now, in which the amounts collected post the date of bifurcation have been deposited. The assets of APSC of the undivided State of Andhra Pradesh, that is, assets existing up to the date of bifurcation may be divided between the two successor States in the population ratio of 58:42, as provided under Section 2(h) of the Reorganization Act, 2014, if the two successor States are agreeable to the same. If the two successor States are unable to arrive at an agreement, the Central Government may constitute a committee, which may be directed to arrive at an agreement, in accordance with the provisions of the Reorganization Act, 2014 within a period of two months from the date such representation is made to the Central Government.

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8.3 The Hon’ble High Court of AP and TS in its judgment dated 06.04.2017 in WP (PIL) No. 204 of 2017 in WP (PIL) No. 122 of 2017 held that not regularize the services of any of those employees who were appointed on temporary/contract basis after 10.04.1996 (i.e. employees who did not put in ten years of service by 10.04.2006).
The Hon’ble Supreme Court in its judgment dated 03.11.2017 in CA No. 17869-17870 of 2017 held that

(I) 1994 AICTE Regulations, do apply to Deemed to be Universities and the Deemed to be Universities in the present matter were not justified in introducing any new courses in Technical Education without the approval of AICTE.

(II) Insofar as candidates enrolled during the Academic Sessions 2001-2005, in the present case the *ex post facto* approvals granted by UGC and their concerned authorities are set aside.

(III) Consequent to aforesaid direction No. II, all the degrees in Engineering awarded by concerned Deemed to be Universities stand suspended.

(IV) The AICTE shall devise the modalities to conduct an appropriate test/test as indicated in Para 47 above. The option be given to the concerned students whose degrees stand suspended by 15.01.2018 to appear at the test/tests to be conducted in accordance with the directions in Para 47 above. Students be given not more than two chances to clear test/tests and if they do not successfully clear the test/tests within the stipulated time, their degrees shall stand cancelled and all the advantages shall stand withdrawn as stated in Paras 46 and 47 above. The entire expenditure for conducting the test/tests shall be recovered from the concerned Deemed to be Universities by 31.03.2018.

(V) Those students who do not wish to exercise the option, shall be refunded entire money deposited by them towards tuition fee and other charges within one month of the exercise of such option. Needless to say their degrees shall stand cancelled and all advantages/benefits shall stand withdrawn as mentioned in Para 47.

(VI) If the students clear the test/tests within the stipulated time, all the advantages/benefits shall be restored to them and their degrees will stand revived fully.

(VII) As regards students who were admitted after the Academic Sessions 2001-2005, their degrees in Engineering awarded by the concerned Deemed to be Universities through distance education mode stand recalled and be treated as cancelled. All benefits secured by such candidates shall stand withdrawn as indicated in Para 48 above. However, the entire amount paid by such students to the concerned Deemed to be
Universities towards tuition fees and other expenditure shall be returned by the concerned Deemed to be Universities by 31.05.2018, as indicated in Para 48.

(VIII) By 31.05.2018, all the concerned Deemed to be Universities shall refund the sums indicated above in VII and an appropriate affidavit to that extent shall be filed with UGC within a week thereafter.

(IX) We direct the CBI to carry out thorough investigation into the conduct of the concerned officials who dealt with the matters and went about the granting permissions against the policy statement, as indicated in Para 49 above and into the conduct of institutions who abused their position to advance their commercial interest illegally. Appropriate steps can thereafter be taken after culmination of such investigation.

(X) The UGC shall also consider whether the Deemed to be University status enjoyed by JRN, AAI, IASE and VMRF calls for any withdrawal and conduct an inquiry in that behalf by 30.06.2018 as indicated above. If the moneys, as directed above are not refunded to the concerned students that factor shall be taken into account while conducting such exercise.

(XI) We restrain all Deemed to be Universities to carry on any courses in distance education mode from the Academic Session 2018-2019 onwards unless and until it is permissible to conduct such courses in distance education mode and specific permissions are granted by the concerned statutory/regulatory authorities in respect of each of those courses and unless the off-campus Centers/Study Centers are individually inspected and found adequate by the concerned Statutory Authorities. The approvals have to be course specific.

(XII) The UGC is further directed to take appropriate steps and implement Section 23 of the UGC Act and restrain Deemed to be Universities from using the word ‘University’ within one month from today.

(XIII) The Union of India may constitute a three members Committee comprising of eminent persons who have held high positions in the field of education, investigation, administration or law at national level within one month. The Committee may examine the issues indicated above and suggest a road map for strengthening and setting up of oversight and regulatory mechanism in the relevant field of higher education and allied issues within six months. The Committee may also suggest oversight mechanism to
regulate the Deemed to be Universities. The Union of India may examine the said report and take such action as may be considered appropriate within one month thereafter and file an affidavit in this Court of the action taken on or before August 31, 2018. The matter shall be placed for consideration of this aspect on 11.09.2018.

8.5 The Hon’ble Supreme Court in its judgment dated 09.08.2017 in CA No. 10273 of 2017 held that all employees who have superannuated on account of attainment of age of 58 years on 02.06.2014 or thereafter are entitled to the protection of their service up to 60 years of age and naturally to all consequential benefits arising therefrom.

8.6 The Hon’ble Supreme Court in its judgment dated 22.01.2018 in MA No. 1795-1796 of 2017 in CA No. 17869-17870 of 2017 held that as a one-time relaxation in favour of those candidates who were enrolled during the academic years 2001-2005 and who, in terms of the judgment, are eligible to appear at the test to be conducted by AICTE, direct:-

   a. All such candidates, who wish to appear at the forthcoming test to be conducted by AICTE in May-June 2018 and who exercise option to appear at the test in terms of the judgment, can retain the degrees in question and all the advantages flowing therefrom till one month after the declaration of the result of such test or till 31.07.2018 whichever is earlier.

b. This facility is given as one-time exception so that those who have the ability and can pass the test in the first attempt itself, should not be put to inconvenience. If the candidates pass in such first attempt, they would be entitled to retain all the advantages. But if they fail or choose not to appear, the directions in the judgment shall apply, in that the degrees and all advantages shall stand suspended and withdrawn. At the cost of repetition, it is made clear that no more such chances or exceptions will be given or made. They will undoubtedly be entitled to appear on the second occasion in terms of the judgment but this exception shall not apply for such second attempt.

c. We direct AICTE to conduct the test in May-June 2018 and declare the result well in time, in terms of our directions in the judgment and this Order. AICTE shall however extend the time to exercise the option to appear at the test suitably.

d. Except for the directions given in the preceding paragraph i.e. paragraph 7 and the clarification as regards courses leading to award of diplomas as mentioned hereinabove, we reject all the other submissions.
8.7 The Hon’ble High Court in its judgment dated 12.04.2017 in WA No. 398 of 2017 held with regard to shifting of Degree College from one mandal to another mandal as detailed hereunder:

1. The power under Section 100 of the AP Education Act was extra-ordinary in nature. Such an extra-ordinary reserve power could be invoked only in special / extraordinary circumstances with the reasons assigned in support of the grant of exemption, fell foul of the very scheme of the Act and the 1987 Rules.

2. Accepting the justification, for grant of exemption would result in nullifying the entire scheme under the Act, and the 1987 Rules enabling the Government to call upon anybody to establish an educational institution, without having regard to the educational needs of the locality.

3. The Power under Section 100 of the Act is an extra-ordinary power and is subject of fulfilment of the parameters for establishing an educational institution i.e. institution serving the educational needs of the locality and it is only within these parameters can the power of relaxation be exercised to mitigate the hardship caused to a person by a rule, in the larger public interest.

4. Not securing admission of students in a particular locality could not be a ground to grant relaxation under Section 100 to shift the College to another mandal.

5. Before exercising the power under Section 100 for relaxation to grant exemption, a detailed discussion of the justification for such request and assessment of the requirement of the educational needs of the locality should be done.

6. The larger public interest served by Section 20 of AP Education Act and Rules 4 (2) and 14(3) of the 1987 Rules, and then observed that, if the existing educational institutions were not adequately meeting the educational needs of any mandal, then such mandal have been added in the notification issued during that academic year and more institutions could have responded to the notification, seeking establishment of Degree College in that mandal.

7. Self-assessment made by the Private Educational Societies / Institutions that the students are migrating to other towns due to lack of quality in education in the existing colleges, if permitted, would destroy the entire mechanism created under the Act and 1987 Rules rendering them redundant.

8. The permission to establish a degree college, in a particular locality, is granted by the Competent Authority after an assessment of the need of that particular locality. A procedure is prescribed for inviting applications to establish a degree college in particular locality.

9. Even for shifting of colleges from one mandal to another mandal by exercising the power under Section 100, the assessment should be made which should reflect such a need, even then applications ought to have been invited from all those who are desirous of establishing a degree college in that mandal.
10. The scheme of the Act and 1987 Rules is to grant permission to establish a degree college in a particular locality based on the needs of the locality and not the needs of the individual institution.

11. The difficulty which an institution may face, on being granted permission being granted to them to shift to another locality without an assessment of the need of the locality to which the Degree College is sought to be shifted, may well result in unhealthy competition violating Rules 4 (2) and 14(3) of 1987 Rules.

12. Though the order to shift the Degree College from one mandal to another mandal without assessing the need and due process of law, if students are admitted in such shifted college, the interest of students would be jeopardized does not also merit acceptance.

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8.8. The Hon’ble Supreme Court in its judgment dated 24.08.2018 in CA No. 8529 of 2018 held that the procedure prescribed in the impugned Government Order (.O. Rt. No. 550 Higher Education (EC2)Department dated 30.07.2001) cannot be implemented without some minor deviation consequential to the introduction of the system of online counselling. Such deviations do not in our view invalidate the admissions. It would, however, be open to the Government to amend the impugned Government Order and or alternatively issue a fresh Government Order to harmonize online counselling with statutory rules and government orders. The statutory rules may, if necessary, be amended. However, the admission made this year should not be disturbed. Any vacancies may be filled up on merit basis without disturbing the allocation of seats for candidates of the respective categories.

8.9. The Hon’ble Supreme Court in its judgment dated 10/08/2018 in CA No.3697-3698 of 2018 Held that the degrees and diplomas in question already granted by the appellant – University i.e. JNT University, Hyderabad to candidates admitted up to academic year 2009-2010 may be left undisturbed.