

Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education

MONTHLY SUMMARY FOR THE CABINET FOR THE MONTH OF MAY, 2018:

1. Important Policy Decisions Taken and Major Achievements During May, 2018

- a) 2nd Meeting of NMEICT Phase-II Review was held on 04.05.2018 – Review of various projects that comes under NMEICT had been taken.
- b) 3rd Meeting of Expert Committee on Operation Digital Board (ODB) was held on 25.05.2018 – It is a new project that is about to start, so new ideas was discussed in the meeting.
- c) Meeting of University Enterprise Architecture Framework (UEAF) was held on 22.05.2018 - The need of a singly/ Unified configurable Solution for provisioning and implementation of ERP Solution in Higher Education Institutions (HIEs).
- d) 4th Meeting of SWAYAM Board was held on 07.05.2018 –
- Discussion on Action Taken and Status Report.
 - Facilitating course coordinators to offer courses to the students from other Universities / Institutions.
 - Releasing funds for SWAYAM Courses.
 - Translation and subtitling of SWAYAM Courses.
 - Guidelines on IPR, Copyrights and Plagiarism for CCs.
 - Workshop on ICT in Education for the UNESCO E-9 countries.

e) Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Rashtriya Uchchta Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA)

An amount of Rs 3,720.70 crore has been released to State Governments till 31st May, 2018 under RUSA Scheme since its inception.

The Challenge Level Funding (CLF) Portal under RUSA was developed and launched. The focus of RUSA 2.0 is on Challenge Level Funding (CLF) to Institutions and States on the basis of prior conditionalities and norms. Approval of PAB for all components to any Institution/ State under RUSA 2.0 is a two stage process. At the first stage, institutions register on the CLF Portal and as per the eligibility norms, they apply under specific components. The State then verifies the credentials of the institutions and submits the application for those components. At the second stage, the institutions are ranked on the CLF Portal based on the scores attained (through the short listing criteria) on various parameters elucidated in the Guidelines. In short, the CLF Portal captures both (1) eligibility criteria and (2) short-listing criteria in evaluating the proposals for all components.

The 12th Meeting of the Project Approval Board of RUSA was held on 25th May, 2018. The PAB approved Rs.4,889 crore for 1012 Units.

f) National Academic Depository (NAD)

The National Academic Depository (NAD) has been launched by the Hon'ble President of India on 9th July, 2017. This is a digital storehouse of academic degrees and awards of all Higher Education Institutions and School Examination Boards like the CBSE. As on 24.05.2018, around 1.03 crore academic awards including degrees, mark-sheets, certificates etc have been lodged by various academic institutions on NAD.

g) University Grants Commission (UGC)

- UGC vide its D.O.No.F.9-10/2018 (CPP-II) dated 08.05.2018 requested to all the Vice-Chancellors of all Universities to support in ensuring active participation of the students of their Universities on 'Swachh Bharat Summer Internship' Programme.
- UGC vide its D.O.No.24-1/2018 (CPP-II) dated 18.05.2018 requested to all the Vice-Chancellors of all Universities to undertake the various activities during World Environment Day, 2018 on 05.06.2018.

h) Under the scheme Global Initiative of Academic Networks (GIAN) in Higher Education, 1540 courses have been approved by the GIAN Implementation Committee, out of which a total number of 1126 courses have been completed by the end of May, 2018.

i) EFC meeting of seven new IIMs (Amritsar, Bodhgaya, Sirmour, Sambalpur, Visakhapatnam, Nagpur and Jammu) was held on 22.05.2018.