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In the second Andaman & Nicobar Higher Education Council Meeting (ANHEC) held on 8<sup>th</sup> Jan'2018 , State Higher Education plan was approved which includes the following components:

1. New Model Degree College at remote district of North & Middle Andaman
2. Research , Innovation and Extension
3. Equity Initiative

The minutes of the Andaman & Nicobar Higher Education Council Meeting is enclosed

  
Member Secretary

(Andaman & Nicobar Higher Education Council meeting)

**NOTES OF SECOND ANDAMAN NICOBAR HIGHER EDUCATION COUNCIL (ANHEC) MEETING  
HELD ON 08.01.2018 AT 10.40 AM UNDER THE CHAIRMANSHIP OF  
HON'BLE LT. GOVERNOR, A & N ISLANDS**

Andaman Nicobar Higher Education Council (ANHEC) meeting was held on 08.01.2018 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Lt. Governor, A&N Islands to review the progress of various projects under RUSA and to obtain the approval of state Higher Education Plan prepared by State Project Directorate for participating in RUSA-2. The list of officials attended the meeting is attached.

Secretary (Edn.)/State Project Director (SPD) briefed the council about the various activities undertaken by State Project Directorate for the implementation of RUSA projects, Basic statistics of the Higher Education, Gross Enrollment Ratio and Synopsis of Higher Education Plan.

Chief Secretary /Vice chairman(ANHEC) suggested to constitute a committee by State Project Directorate for scrutinizing and giving approval to the research proposal and deciding new courses as per feasibility study, in response to the various observations made by Secretary( social welfare) and Principals of all Colleges. The Council suggested to link employability with Proposed Course. Some of Courses suggested are Tourism, Hotel Management, Performing Arts, Fisheries and Forestry.

Hon'ble LG suggested that Higher Education Council should have public representatives for addressing the local needs particularly in deciding the location and courses to be offered in new Model Degree College. Hon'ble LG stressed the concern about the low Gross Enrollment ratio and suggested to obtain the GER of India and other states and examine the reason for low GER and strategy for increasing the same. After detailed deliberation following decision were taken:

S. No.	Agenda / Discussion Points	Decision Sought	Observation of Council/ Decision Taken
1.	Public Representatives in Andaman Nicobar Higher Education Council (ANHEC)		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ To include three to four more Public Representatives additionally in the Andaman Nicobar Higher Education Council (ANHEC).</li> <li>➤ The proposed members are               <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Member of Parliament.</li> <li>2. Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, South Andaman</li> <li>3. Adhyaksha, Zilla Parishad, North and Middle Andaman</li> <li>4. Chairman, Tribal Council, Nicobar District.</li> <li>5. Chairman, PBMC.</li> </ol> </li> </ul>
2	Gross Enrollment Ratio of Higher Education of Andaman & Nicobar Islands		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Hon'ble LG has shown the concern about the low Gross Enrollment ratio and suggested to obtain the reason of low GER by analysis of the data of other state/country and strategy adopted by them to increase the same.</li> </ul>
3	NAAC Accreditation		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ As NAAC is a mandatory requirement</li> </ul>

			<p>for RUSA Fund, MGGC to in, NAAC accreditation process.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ One more assessment and accreditation workshop shall be planned for all College for awareness and to initiate the accreditation process.</li> </ul>
4	Utilization plan for preparatory grant of RUSA Project.		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ The grant shall be utilized in decentralized manner by distributing some amount to all RUSA funded College.</li> <li>➤ The Institution shall utilize the amount for conducting national level workshop, and conferences as per the guidelines/parameter of RUSA with the approval of SPD.</li> <li>➤ Guidelines of RUSA will be shared to all RUSA funded College.</li> </ul>
5	ANHEC Approval of State Higher Education Plan	Approval of State Higher Education Plan for participating in RUSA-2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ In-principle approval accorded with the direction to add few more Research proposal which will be helpful for the development of Island.</li> <li>➤ The Secretary(Social Welfare)has proposed the following research area:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mental health study of the inhabitants of A&amp; N Islands</li> <li>• Violence against children of A&amp; N Islands.</li> <li>• Sex ratio(especially in Nicobar District)</li> <li>• Emotional health and mental health leading to suicidal tendency of the inhabitants of A&amp; N Islands</li> <li>• Status of nutrition and causes of stunting in North Andaman.</li> </ul> </li> <li>➤ JNRM to check the feasibility and prepare the research proposal within one week to include in State Higher Education Plan for onward submission to MHRD.</li> <li>➤ A committee to be constituted by State Project Directorate for scrutinizing the research proposal and finding the feasibility on starting the new course.</li> <li>➤ The proposed members of the Committee are <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secretary (Edn)- Chairman</li> <li>• Principal JNRM- member</li> <li>• Principal TGCE- member</li> <li>• Principal DBRAIT- member</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
6	Proposal for starting	Approval for starting New Model	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ In-principle approval accorded to include</li> </ul>

<p>Model Degree College. Proposal for adding additional Course in Existing College</p>	<p>Degree College in Diglipur.</p> <p>Approval for submitting proposal to PAB RUSA for considering Budgetary support for starting professional courses in the Existing / New Higher Education Institute.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ New Model Degree College, Diglipur- Fine Arts(UG)</li> <li>➤ Architecture and planning(UG)</li> <li>➤ MBA(Management)PG in JNRM</li> </ul>	<p>professional courses in New Model Degree College.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ In-principle approval accorded.</li> <li>➤ Proposal to be send to MHRD for additional funding.</li> </ul>
<p>8 Conditions for participating in RUSA-2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Utilization Certificates worth at least 70%</li> <li>• Information regarding filled up faculty position (at least 80%)</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ Present Status % Utilization - 44.7% Faculty Position - 67.09 %</li> </ul> <p>Approval for submitting relaxation being hard area.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>➤ As recruitment of faculty in the Institutions of higher education is undertaken by UPSC, considerable time is taken being hard area.</li> <li>➤ Relaxation may be sought from MHRD in the conditions and considering A&amp; N Islands in RUSA-2 .</li> </ul>
<p>7 Appointment of Contractual Staff for assisting SPD.</p>	<p>Approval for Recruitment of Contractual Staff under Technical Support Group</p>	<p>Approval Accorded for appointment of Contractual Staff.</p>

The meeting ended with vote of thanks to the chair.

  
 Member Secretary/Secy(Edn)