

Government of Puducherry

PUDUCHERRY STATE HIGHER EDUCATION COUNCIL

Progress of RUSA in the Union Territory of Puducherry

I. Physical activities of the Council

1. The Willingness of the UT was accepted in the 4th PAB meeting held on 5-12-2014
2. State Higher Education Council: The Puducherry State Higher Education Council has been constituted in December 2014 by an executive order of the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor.
3. The Union territory of Puducherry Higher Education Act is being prepared and soon it will be enacted in the Legislative Assembly of Puducherry.
4. The Council has met three times so far and taken decisions on the implementation and monitoring of the activities of RUSA
5. The State Higher Education Plan was submitted in February 2015
6. The Office of the Council and the State Project Directorate was established in a separate building utilizing the Preparatory grants received from RUSA
7. The infrastructure and the staff for the SPD Directorate are engaged by outsourcing.
8. The following are the components for which the grant were approved in the 8th and 9th PAB meeting of MHRD-RUSA
 - a. Component -1: upgradation of Pondicherry engineering College to Technical University
 - b. Component -7: Infrastructure Grants to 11 Arts & Science Colleges
 - c. Component – 9: Equity Initiatives.
9. The Achievements during the year 2015-16:
 - a. out of 15 institutions under the Higher & Technical Education, 13 institutions have been accredited by NAAC/NBA with B and above grades
 - b. Two meetings of the Council were conducted
 - c. International and National level Seminars /Conference/Workshops were conducted by all the RUSA beneficiary colleges.
 - d. The UT achieved 98% uploading of data for AISHE for 2014-15 and 95% for 2015-16
 - e. All the Government institutions have Internet Facility under NKN or NMEICT.

- f. Out of 15 government & Government Aided Colleges 9 Colleges were Accredited by NAAC/NBA

10. The Achievements during the year 2016-17:

- a. State Level Quality Assurance Cell was established and assists the institutions for the accreditation.
- b. Out of 15 government & Government Aided Colleges 13 Colleges were Accredited by NAAC/NBA and 2 colleges have submitted the LOI to NAAC.
- c. The funds received under various components were released to the colleges and the utilization is being monitored.

11. Governance Reforms:

- a. All the institutions have established a Board of Governors.
- b. The Equal Opportunity Cell, Grievance Redressal Committee, Placement Cell, Anti-Ragging committee etc. are formed to address the concerns of the students, parents and others.

12. Academic Reforms:

- a. All the institutions in the UT of Puducherry offer the courses only in Semester System.
- b. The Choice-based Credit system is introduced in all the autonomous colleges and the colleges affiliated to the Pondicherry University(a Central University) will introduce the CBCS system from 2017-18 academic year
- c. The updating and revision of the curricula in all the autonomous colleges are carried out once in every three years and the colleges affiliated to Pondicherry University are done as and when the University revise the curricula.
- d. Admission Procedure:
Centralized admission procedure is followed separately for all the professional Colleges (CENTAC) and Region-wise for Arts & Science Colleges (CAPASC)

13. Examination Reforms:

- a. Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) is followed in all the UG and PG Courses in the University , Professional Colleges and autonomous colleges and in PG courses only in other institutions.
- b. The Weightage assigned to Internal Evaluation is 25-40%
- c. The end semester evaluation is by a written and practical examination and the CIA is also added.