

PROGRESS OF RUSA IN THE STATE OF KERALA

Physical Progress

- Preparatory & MMER Grants : The state has received 2 instalments of Preparatory Grants & MMER Grants
- Infrastructure Grants to Universities : The State has received grants for 4 Universities
- Infrastructure Grants to Colleges : The State has received grants for 17 Govt. Colleges
- Equity Initiatives : One instalment has been sanctioned for the state
- Faculty Improvement : One Academic Staff College has been sanctioned grants

Financial Progress

- Preparatory & MMER Grants : The state has received a total of Rs. 85,840,000/-, out of which Rs. 4,00,00,000/- have been utilized.
- Infrastructure grants to Universities : The State has received a total of Rs. 61,87,50,000/- and it has been disbursed.
- Infrastructure grants to Colleges: The State has received a total of Rs. 24,87,50,000/-, out of which Rs. 22,87,50,000 /- have been utilized.
- Equity Initiative : The State has received the 1st instalment of Rs. 2,50,00,000/-
- Faculty Improvement : The State has received the 1st instalment of Rs. 50,00,000/- for Academic Staff College.



Academic Reforms

The Semester System and CBCSS have been implemented in the state of Kerala. It has been introduced in all the colleges and Universities in Kerala. The CBCSS has been implemented in all UG courses.

The outcome:

1. Most modern technology implemented in classrooms.
2. Job-oriented courses introduced through the system.
3. More care given to the students through internal evaluation and scope given for improvement of grades.
4. Flexibility for working students to complete the course.
5. The students found the syllabus and semester comparatively easy to complete.
6. Creative and research ability of the students enhanced through activity oriented syllabus structure.
7. Inter-university transfer for students made possible through this system.
8. Students get the feel of a multi-disciplinary approach.
9. Skill advancement courses introduced.

Governance Reforms

- A report on Single University Act to Govt. submitted by KSHEC is pending with the Government for approval.
- A State Level Quality Assurance Cell has been formed by the Government under RUSA State Project Directorate. It shall work in tandem with the IQAC (Internal Quality Assurance Cell) of the institutions.
- An Academic Audit team has also been formed by the Government under RUSA to appraise the performance of institutions and teachers.
- Restructuring of KSHEC- A report on the establishment of a Faculty Training Academy by KSHEC has been pending with the Government.
- The Kerala State Higher Education Council shall be established as per the guidelines of RUSA.
- Choice- Based Credit and Semester System at UG and PG level in all Universities and Colleges.
- Autonomous Colleges- Given the status to two Govt Colleges and 20 Govt. Aided Colleges.
- Started Honours Degree Programmes in Arts, Science and Commerce streams.
- Report submitted to start a Research University incorporating the renowned research institutions like CTCRI, CESS, Rajiv Gandhi Institute of Bio-Technology etc.
- Punching system has been introduced in Government institutions to improve academic discipline.
- New Colleges and new courses have been started by the Government in the last five years after the advent of RUSA. A total of 29 new Arts and Science Colleges have been started in the last five years.

Affiliation Reforms

In Kerala all Govt./Aided/Unaided Colleges are affiliated to Universities

- ❖ ***University of Kerala-242***
- ❖ ***Mahatma Gandhi University-337***
- ❖ ***CUSAT-24***
- ❖ ***Sree Sankaracharya University of Sanskrit-Nil***
- ❖ ***Kerala University of Fisheries and Ocean Studies – Nil***
- ❖ ***Kerala Agricultural University-Nil***
- ❖ ***Kerala University of Health and Allied Sciences-249***
- ❖ ***Kerala Kalamandalam Deemed University-Nil***
- ❖ ***Thunchath Ezhuthachan Malayalam University – Nil***
- ❖ ***University of Calicut – 367***
- ❖ ***Kannur University – 20***
- ❖ ***Kerala Veterinary & Animal Sciences University - 2***
- ❖ **The process of granting autonomous status to Colleges has started in 2014-15 and 13 Colleges were granted autonomous status by the Government in 2014-15. Similarly, three Clusters namely Thiruvananthapuram, Ernakulam, Kozhikode has been started with an aim to upgrade the Colleges within the Cluster to autonomous level. Another 9 Govt. Aided Colleges have also been given autonomous status.**



Filling Faculty Vacancies

There is no ban on recruitment.

✓ Details of number of sanctioned posts in 2015-16:
10526

Details of sanctioned posts in 2016-17: 10828

✓ Filled up positions (regular) in 2015-16: 8947

✓ Filled up positions (regular) in 2016-17: 9203

✓ Vacant/Adhoc position in 2015-16: 1579

✓ Vacant/Adhoc position in 2016-17: 1625

Accreditation Reforms

The State Level Quality Assurance Cell has been constituted in the state. They work in tandem with the Internal Quality Assurance Cells established in the institutions of the state.

- 35 Govt. Colleges, 112 aided Colleges and 6 Universities have live accreditation.
- 15 Govt. Colleges, 68 aided Colleges submitted LOIs.
- 10 Govt. Colleges and 20 aided Colleges do not have accreditation

Examination Reforms

More care given to the students through internal evaluation and scope given for improvement of grades.

- ❖ Continuous evaluation made part of the curriculum.
- ❖ On line examinations started in two Universities.
- ❖ Judicious publishing of results in autonomous colleges.
- ❖ Preparation of question banks for the use of students in two universities.



Best Practices in Higher Education

1. Additional Skill Acquisition Programme (ASAP): The Kerala State, has created a road map for Human Resources Development at all levels including education, research, industry and trade and has embarked upon an ambitious project named **State Skill Development Project** to equip its young population with skills in cutting edge sectors in order to effectively alleviate the unemployment problem in the state.
2. Solar paneling system initiated in Sanskrit University, Kalady through RUSA. The energy consumption has been reduced substantially due to this innovative practice. Other Universities have been following suit.
3. Rain-water harvesting system introduced in Govt. College, Chalakudy from the infrastructure grants of RUSA. The issue of water scarcity in this region has been successfully addressed. Other institutions in the state are following the example of this college.
4. Video-conferencing system has been established in 30 Government Colleges and the Directorate of Collegiate Education with the help of RUSA.
5. An E-journal portal was launched in 40 Govt. Colleges across the state. Through this portal students could upload and download articles. They also have accessibility to e-journals.



List of activities ready for launch

1. Induction of solar paneling in Sanskrit University, Kalady.
2. Rainwater harvesting system in Govt. College, Chalakkudy.
3. Renovation of Students Home at Chettiarmadu, Calicut
4. Roofing of buildings in Govt College, Mananthawady, Wayanad

Thank You!