

# The Cluster University of Srinagar

## **Progress Report**

After the assuming of office by the Vice Chancellor and Registrar from March, 1, 2017, the University has initiated the following activities

### **Formation of Interim Bodies**

After a series of meetings with the Principals and other senior faculty members of the Constituent Colleges of the Cluster University of Srinagar, the following academic bodies have been framed: -

1. University Academic Council
2. Board of Under-Graduate Studies
3. Board of Post-Graduate Studies
4. Admissions Committees
5. Information Technology (IT) Support Committee
6. Examination Committee
7. Statutes Framing Committees with regard to Research, Faculty Service Rules and Student Examination Systems

**Through the active support of the above Committees, the following targets have been achieved**

## **A Admissions**

- i. Launching of College web portal [www.cusrinagar.edu.in](http://www.cusrinagar.edu.in)
- ii. Online reach out to students and online admission
- iii. Centralised admission to the under-graduate programmes of the constituent Colleges of the Cluster University as per merit and pre-determined intake capacity of the colleges.
- iv. Introduction of five year UG / PG Integrated programmes in eight disciplines of Chemistry, Information Technology, Environment Science, Economics, English, Computers Science, Business Administration, Commerce
- v. Conduct of an aptitude test on 22-4-2017 for admission to all the integrated courses.
- vi. Launching of the following PG Programmes: -Chemistry, Zoology, Commerce, Geography, Human Development, English, Env. Science, Physics, Botany, Zoology, Education and M.Ed.
- vii. 68 posts in different categories have been created for establishment of the Cluster University Srinagar.
- viii. The post of Controller of Examination has been filled.
- ix. Some posts in the cadre of Accounts, Planning and Statistics and Administration have been filled up by the respective Departments on deputation basis.
- x. Purchase of Equipment and Furniture items for establishment of the University.

## **B Syllabi and Examination reforms**

- i. Syllabi and curriculum of all the programmes has been devised in light of the curriculum recommended by the UGC and adopted by reputed Institutions of the country.
- ii. Clarity with regard to the adoption of Choice Based Credit System for all programmes of the University has been ensured by sensitising the concerned teachers through a series of meetings and presentations.
- iii. Reforms in the process of evaluation has been introduced by giving considerable weightage to Continuous Assessment, Class Level Evaluation and by incorporating Problem solving as a component of the Question Papers

## **C General**

- i. Cluster University Srinagar has been recognised by the University Grants Commission under 2(f) of the U.G.C. Act, 1956 in terms of the UGC Communication No/ F.9-3/2017(CPP-I/PU) dated 15.06.2017. The University has also been authorised to award degrees in Graduation/Post-Graduation and Research Programmes.
- ii. Relevant information on the prescribed formats have been submitted to the U.G.C. for recognition of the Cluster University under Sec. 12(B) of the U.G.C. Act. 1956.
- iii. The University has applied to the MHRD, GOI for provision of connectivity under National Knowledge Network (NKN) Initiative.
- iv. Proposals have been sent for approval to the honourable chancellor with regard to the recognition of the existing faculty of the colleges as the faculty of the cluster Universities so that from this recognised faculty the

appointment of Deans and the constitution of the bodies like Academic Council, Syndicate, University Council, Inspection Board, Selection Committees etc.is facilitated.

- v. Review meetings are regularly conducted with the R&B (the executing agency for the constructions under RUSA) to ensure monitoring of the on-going constructions works and their completion within the time frame of October 2017.
- vi. Committees of teachers have been constituted to coordinate the efforts of the University towards submission of projects to the UGC, DST and other funding agencies under SAP, FIST and other Research Funding Initiatives as the University shall be launching research programmes very soon.
- vii. An amount of Rs. 9.53 lakhs have been released out of preparatory grants of RUSA to various Constituent Colleges for conduct of Workshops on different topics in the field of Science.
- viii. The draft Statutes of the Cluster University have been framed and submitted to the Pro-Chancellor / Chancellor for its approval.
- ix. Appointments of 10 Assistant Professors and two Teaching Assistants have been made against the vacant positions of the University for teaching of P.G. Courses.
- x. Exercise has been started to appoint Programmers on contractual basis as a support staff for I.T. Cell of the University.
- xi. Examination Calendar for all the Courses running in Constituent Colleges i.e. Under-Graduate, 5-Year Integrated and P.G. Courses has been finalised and notified.
- xii. Examination material required for purposes of conduct of examination of students has been got printed/published and received in the University.
- xiii. The University is launching One Year Certificate Course in the following languages under “Evening School of Languages”

1. Arabic
2. Hindi
3. Kashmiri
4. Persian
5. French
6. Punjabi
7. German
8. Chinese &
9. Dogri.

xiv. The details of funds released by the State Government under different heads is given as under: -

i) Grant-in-aid:	Rs. 25.00 lacs
ii) Salary:	Rs. 37.50 Lacs
iii) Capex. Budget:	Rs. 50.00 Lacs
iv) RUSA preparatory grants:	Rs. 100.00 Lacs
v) Revenue Generated by the University of its own resources viz. admissions etc.	Rs. 98.00 Lacs

xv. An amount of Rs. 5394.43 Lacs have been allocated under RUSA for construction of different buildings at the Constituent Colleges of the Cluster University. The construction work of the buildings including the Administrative Block of the Cluster University under RUSA is in progress

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