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VICE CHANCELLOR'S STUDENT FUND
MINUTES OF ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual meeting of the Committee of 'Vice Chancellor's Student Fund' was held on 07 July 2015 at 4.00 pm in the office of the Research Council to review and recommend financial assistance to the deserving students through the 'Vice Chancellor's Student Fund'. The following members were present:

1. Chairperson, RC/Dean AA & P -Chair
2. Dean Research (Physical & Mathematical Sciences)
3. Dean Research (Humanities & Social Sciences)
4. Deputy Registrar (Finance-I)
5. Dy. Dean Research

The Committee was apprised of expenditure incurred in the year 2014-15 as per details given below: (fin-X/VCSF/2014-15/419 dated 07.08.2014)

Particular	Vice Chancellor's Student Fund 2014-15	
	No. of students	Amount (Rs.)
Financial Assistance to BPL students (Paid in 2014-15)	1079	32,37,000/-
NCWEB	680	20,40,000/-
Financial Assistance to Medical Ground	Nil	Nil
Hostel Expenses	05	89,106/-
Ex-gratia payments	Nil	Nil
Travel Grant to students for attending Inter. Conf.	05	1,90,000/-

It was observed that wider publicity should be given to the provisions under Vice Chancellor's Student fund with information being displayed prominently on the website and information sent to colleges, departments, hostels, EOC etc.

The Committee after due deliberations and ascertaining the availability of funds under Vice-Chancellor's Student Fund unanimously recommended to fix the quantum of assistance for the year 2015-16 under various categories as detailed below:

1. Financial Assistance/Scholarship to BPL/PwD Students ~~Rs 90 lakhs~~
2. Financial Assistance on Medical grounds ~~Rs 20 lakhs~~
3. Financial Assistance for deserving students for Payment of hostel fees ~~Rs 2 lakhs~~
4. ~~50% of Mess Charges for PwD students Rs 10 lakhs~~
5. Ex-gratia payment for accidental death/permanent disability ~~Rs 6 lakhs~~
6. Financial Assistance for attending International Conference/Events ~~Rs 50 lakhs~~

The amount under different heads may be reallocated keeping in view the priorities and requirements on a case-to-case basis.

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After detailed discussion, following recommendations for the revision of the rules/guidelines to be followed for availing financial assistance out of Vice-Chancellor's Student Fund in the above-mentioned categories are made.

Recommendations are detailed below:

1. Financial Assistance/Scholarship to BPL & PwD Students.

- i. Financial assistance under this category is available to students who are studying in various courses in colleges and departments of Delhi University.
- ii. The students who have cleared the exams in an academic year promoted to next academic year will be granted assistance.
- iii. Such students must belong to families holding BPL (with Ration Card issued by Govt.)
- iv. PwD students who apply will be considered for support irrespective of income limit.
- v. The quantum of assistance to be given to such students will be Rs. 4000/- P.A for each academic year.
- vi. Applications may be invited through Delhi University website from all colleges and departments at the start of the session to ensure maximum benefit/participation to students. All applications must be routed through the Principal/ HoD of the concerned College/Department with their recommendation.

2. Financial Assistance on Medical grounds

- i. The University of Delhi is extending financial assistance on medical grounds to overcome the hardship of students who are admitted to hospital or undergoing treatment in hospital either due to accident or some other ailments and cannot afford to pay the hospital fees/dues.
- ii. Students who want to avail financial assistance under this category may send their request/application along with relevant documents/bills with the recommendation of the Principal/HOD of the concerned College/Department to the Dean Students Welfare.
- iii. Such applications/requests will be placed before a Committee by the Dean Students Welfare to decide/fix the quantum of assistance.
- iv. The quantum of assistance will be based on the nature of the ailments/treatments/hospital etc. by the same Committee
- v. The payment will be made directly to the Hospital concerned/reimbursed as per rules after verifying all relevant documents/bills.

3. Financial Assistance for economically disadvantaged students for Payment of hostel fees

- i. The economically disadvantaged students who are pursuing their courses in various Colleges/Departments by staying in hostels but cannot afford pay their hostel fees may avail the financial assistance under this category.
- ii. The requests/applications of such students should be routed through the Warden/Provost of the concerned hostel with their recommendation to the Dean Students Welfare for consideration.
- iii. The Committee constituted by Dean Students Welfare will decide the quantum of assistance on the merits of each case.
- iv. This assistance will not include any Mess fee.

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4. Ex-gratia Payment for accidental death/permanent disability**4(a) Accidental Death**

Students enroll at the University/ College with the expectation that they will gain degrees and move into employment and support their families. An unfortunate accident may cut short a young person's life. In order to support the family of the deceased to some extent, an ex-gratia payment of Rs.1.5 lakh will be disbursed to the parents/guardian or family, if any, of a student on account of death caused by an untoward incident/accident. The claim will be admitted only after submission of the following documents by the legal heir:

- (i) Death Certificate
- (ii) Post-mortem Report
- (iii) Police Report
- (iv) Report from the College/Department about the incident by establishing the student's bonafide etc.

However, the claim will not be admitted in case of suicide, death under influence of liquor, insanity or arising out of a breach of law with criminal intention etc.

4(b) Permanent Disability

An ex-gratia payment of Rs. 1.5 lakh will be made to the student who suffers a permanent disability as a consequence of accident that occurs after taking admission in the College/University. The claim will be admitted only after submission of the following documents:

- (i) Police Report.
- (ii) Medical Certificate from WUS Health Centre, certifying the disability
- (iii) Report from the College/Department about the incident by establishing the student's bonafide etc.

However, the claim will not be admitted in case of injury/disability caused by influence of liquor, insanity or arising out of a breach of law with criminal intention etc.

5. Financial Assistance for attending International Conference/Workshop/Summer school/Short term Training.

In order to encourage the students to attend international conferences/ Workshop/Summer school/Short term Training to present their research work, the University is extending limited financial support towards Air fare and Registration fees subject to maximum limit of Rs. 50,000/- (including a maximum of Rs 10,000 for registration fee). Application will be considered by the Committee based on the merit of student/quality of research paper/poster presentation and importance of conference/workshop etc. relevance of Summer School, Workshop Training Programme to student's academic growth

To avail the financial assistance under this category the following procedure has to be followed:

- (a) Under this scheme Undergraduate/Postgraduate/doctoral/research students are eligible to apply for the financial assistance.
- (b) The application for availing financial assistance should have the specific recommendation of HoD/Principal.
- (c) The student has to submit (i) Acceptance letter from the host institution (ii) Abstract of the Paper/Poster presentation which must be original (iii) and establish the importance of the conference/workshop etc.

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- (d) Students can get financial assistance to a maximum limit of Rs.50,000/- (which includes registration fees of up to Rs.10,000/-) calculated proportionately subject to maximum limit.
- (e) The students may have to make some contribution from her/his own sources.
- (f) Students have to submit a substantial report along with Participation Certificate at the time of submission of bills. Students may be required to make a presentation of the work presented at the Conference.
- (g) Travel by only Air India is permitted as per the Govt. of India reimbursement rules.
- (h) The student may also explore the possibility of availing grant from the other funding agencies such as UGC, CSIR, DST, INSA etc.

6. **Other Assistance**

The Vice-Chancellor may sanction funds for any other purpose to promote the interest of students that would include encouragement of cultural activities and sports etc and the overall development of students.

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