Regulation No. 07 /2026

Procedure for processing the application received from affiliated college for obtaining Autonomous Status to the college and for issuing Notification of grant of autonomous Status / Extension thereof- Regulation – 2026

Whereas, Section -122 of Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 provides grant of autonomous status to the affiliated college by the Management Council on the recommendation of Academic Council and u/s 71(7) of MPU Act, 2016 autonomous status is to be granted subject to approval by the Government;

AND

Whereas, after the enforcement of the MPU Act, 2016 the Government of Maharashtra u/s 72 (10) has prescribed the Government Uniform Statute No. 3 of 2023 by Notification dated 22nd May, 2023 adopting the UGC Regulation 2023 "Conferment of Autonomous status upon colleges and measures for maintenance of standards in Autonomous colleges Regulation – 2023;

AND

Whereas, vide para – 7.1 of the Regulation F. No. 1-18/2021 (CPP-II), 2023 eligible affiliated college which fulfills the conditions can submit the application for grant of autonomous status to the UGC and the University has to process application /proposal under 7.2 of the Regulation and has to examine the same on UGC portal & give its recommendation along with reasons / justifications within 30 working days from the date of submission of application by the college on the UGC portal. If the University does not respond on UGC portal within 30 working days, it shall be presumed as No objection to process the application by UGC;

AND

Whereas, as per para – 4.2 of the Regulation F. No. 1-18/2021 (CPP-II), 2023, the University has to issue Notification within 30 days for a college to function as an autonomous entity once the autonomous status is conferred on the college by the UGC;

AND

Whereas, the University has to initiate action to process the application along with proposal to be forwarded to UGC within stipulated time the Management Council vide item No. 74 its meeting held on 24 April, 2024 has resolved as under :

"उपरोक्त विषयाबाबत परिषदेने असे निर्देश दिलेत की, यापुढे स्वायत्तता दर्जा मिळणेबाबत महाविद्यालया कडून प्राप्त होणाऱ्या प्रस्तावावर रितसर कार्यवाही होण्याचे दृष्टीने त्यासंबंधीचे सविस्तर विनियम तयार करण्यात यावेत. "

AND

Whereas, the matter is to be prescribed by Regulation by following the procedure u/s 37 (1) (r) read with Section -75 of the Act, through the Board of Deans.

AND

Whereas, the Board of Deans vide Item No. 110 in its meeting held on 15.10.2025 has recommended u/s 75 (3) of the Act the Draft Regulation No. 16/2025 to the Management Council to prescribe u/s 75 (1) (f) of the Act,

The Management Council u/s 75 (1) (f) of Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 is pleased to prescribe the following Regulation :-

1. This Regulation may be Called as "Procedure for processing the application received from affiliated college for obtaining Autonomous Status to the college and for issuing Notification of grant of autonomous Status /Extension there of – Regulation – 2026"

2. This Regulation shall come into force with effect from the date of its approval by the Management Council.

3. In this Regulation unless the context otherwise requires:

(i) "UGC" means University Grants Commission constituted under UGC Act, 1956
(ii) "Government means" Government of Maharashtra

(iii) "Act" means Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016
(iv) "University" means Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University, Amravati
(v) "Management Council" means Management Council constituted u/s 30 of Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016
(vi) "Academic Council" means "Academic Council constituted u/s 32 of Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016
(vii) "Affiliated college" means the college to which the University has granted affiliation and eligible for autonomy u/s 122 of the Act,
(viii) "Autonomous Status " means Autonomous status conferred on a college affiliated to the University under the provisions of UGC Regulation – 2023 on conferment of autonomous status upon colleges and measures for maintenance standards in Autonomous colleges Regulation – 2023 adopted vide Government Uniform Statute No. 3 of 2023 u/s 72 (10) of the Act, read with Section 122 of the MPU Act, 2016.

First time conferment of Autonomous Status :-

4. The affiliated college which intends to apply for grant of autonomous status, shall submit practically the application along with proposal in 5 copies, (hard Copy) with soft copy next day of submission of application on the UGC portal to the University. The application fee prescribed shall be paid along with application
5. On receipt of application under para- 4 above, the Section shall move the file within 3 working days to the Vice - Chancellor to constitute a Committee to examine the application / proposal and to visit the college The constitution of the Committee shall consist of-

    1. One member of Management Council – Chairman
    2. One member of Academic Council – Member
    3. One Expert (Not below the rank of Principal or professor considering faculties / courses)

6. The Committee shall be informed immediately by sending letter of appointment and copy of proposal to examine the application / proposal and to visit the college and submit its recommendation within 7 days from the date of communication.
7. The recommendations of the Committee shall be submitted immediately to the Academic Council u/s 122 (1) of the Act, which shall recommend to the Management Council. The Management Council shall take decision on the recommendations u/s 122 (1) of the Act. In case if the meeting of the Academic Council and/or, as the case may be, the Management Council is not scheduled and if awaited, 30 days time shall expire, in such even-tuality the Vice-Chancellor shall take decision on the recommendation on behalf of these authority/ies u/s 12 (7) of the MPU Act, 2016.
8. After taking action under above para- 7, the Administrative Section forthwith well before expiry of 30 days time, shall inform the decision to the UGC on portal and also by post within 3 working days with a copy to the concerned college.
9. On receipt of decision from UGC under Para 7.3 of Regulation – 2023 on the conferment of autonomous status, the Administrative Section shall initiate action immediately under para 4.2 of Regulation – 2023 to place it before the Academic Council and the Management Council to note the UGC decision.

In the event, if the meeting of the authority /authorities is not scheduled and if awaited, 30 days time shall expire, the Vice-Chancellor shall note the decision of the UGC on Conferment of Autonomous status on behalf of authority/ies and Notification shall be issued immediately before expiry of 30 days time. It shall be ensured, before issuing Notification that the application process fees prescribed for grant of autonomous status is deposited with the University.

Extension in grant of Autonomous Status :-

10. There is no time-limit prescribed in the Regulation – 2023 for the university in respect of forwarding application for grant of extension in autonomous status and issuing Notification if the UGC granted extension in autonomous status to the college under its Para – 8. Such UGC decision, shall be submitted to the Academic Council and the Management Council to note the same. In case the meeting of the authority/ies is not scheduled and if there will be chances of delay, the Vice-Chancellor shall note the decision of UGC on grant of extension in autonomous status u/s 12(7) of the Act on behalf of the said authority/ies and the Notification shall be issued immediately. It shall be ensured before issuing Notification that the fees prescribed for grant of extension in affiliation is deposited with the University.

(The Management Council vide Item No. 229 in its meeting held on 30.12.2025 has prescribed the said Regulation.)

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