



ST. TERESA'S COLLEGE (AUTONOMOUS) ERNAKULAM

SC/ST MONITORING CELL

REPORT OF ACTIVITIES: 2019-20

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ACTIVITIES

MEETINGS WITH M.G. UNIVERSITY, KOTTAYAM

1. Minutes of Meeting of SC/ST Convenors at M. G University on 16 August 2019

The Vice Chancellor Professor Sabu Thomas (President of the Meeting), Deputy Registrar Dr. Dileep Kumar, Dr. R Prakash Kumar (Syndicate Member) were present at the meeting. The teachers, who are in charge of the SC/ST monitoring from 101 affiliated colleges were also attended this meeting. From St. Teresa's College, Smt. Elizabeth Abraham and Dr. Leela P.U were the in charge teachers for the same.

The meeting started at sharp 10 am and summed at 1pm., the major recommendations and suggestion from the meeting is given below:

Major Recommendations:-

- Regarding the detailed report of Remedial classes conducting for SC/ST students.
- Recommended more focus needed for first generation learners from SC/ST students category.
- SC/ST student's representations in ASAP/SSP/WWS.
- Registration of complaints from SC/ST students.
- Suggestion Box for SC/ST students.
- In each class one staff for SC/ST students
- Hostel Admission details of the SC/ ST students from each colleges.
- E-Grants and Hostel Fees regarding report of SC/ST students from last three years.
- Detailed report of the SC/ST admission through CAT/CAP in the year 2019.
- Giving assurance to SC/ST students in research related higher education; government mandated reservation of seats should also be applied in PhD admissions.
- For further queries and report submission, contact email id : scst@mgu.ac.in On the basis of the above suggestions, college prepared a detailed report, and submitted the same to the University on 30-09-2019.

2. Minutes of Meeting of SC/ST Convenors at M.G. University on 2nd March 2020

The Vice Chancellor Professor Sabu Thomas, Registrar (former CoE) Prakash Kumar and a Syndicate Member were present at the meeting, along with almost a hundred representatives from affiliated colleges. Linda Luiz represented St. Teresa's College at the meeting.

Vice Chancellor Prof. Sabu Thomas

- Various funding bodies such as the UGC and the DST had raised questions regarding the proper disbursement of funds for SC/ST students.
- The VC declared the need of the university to collate the data and form a strong database of SC/ST students.
- The need to **build SC/ST friendly institutions** was stressed.
- Colleges were encouraged to give their inputs to this end.

Syndicate Member

- Instead of holding central meetings of SC/ST Cell convenors, regional meetings could be held with the participation of SC/ST students as well.
- It is mandatory that all colleges must have a functioning SC/ST Cell and it must work effectively. The absence of this could be a reason for cancelling the affiliation of colleges.
- The minutes of the meetings of SC/ST cells must be kept properly.
- The Cell should also include student and union representatives.
- The convenor of SC/ST cell herself must be present for meetings convened at the university.
- The university needed data regarding the dropout rate of SC/ST students.
- The university also needed data regarding the funds available and disbursed for SC/ST students.
- In the absence of data regarding SC/ST students, funds from district and state offices of the Welfare Office may not be disbursed in time.
- Colleges are encouraged to keep proper accounts of funds for SC/ST otherwise it could become a problem in the future.

Registrar Dr. Prakash Kumar

- Majority of colleges had not returned the Google Form with the details of SC/ST student hostel admissions, remedial classes, dropout rate and related details. Colleges were encouraged to send this asap
- In the above form, it would be good to give the reasons for dropping out along with the number of dropouts.
- Colleges were encouraged to look into the matter of whether remedial funds were being properly utilized or diverted for other purposes as the UGC had received complaints regarding the same.
- The university was offering various concessions for SC/ST students. If colleges were availing these concessions, colleges should send proper accounts to the university – this was lagging at present.
- The academic achievements of SC/ST students should be specially noted
- The research performance of SC/ST students should be treated as a matter of concern
- PhD scholars can directly apply for Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship (RGNF). The University has given the order that scholars with RGNF may be taken over and above the limit of scholars for research guides.
- The government mandated reservation of seats should also be applied in PhD admissions. This was being followed at university departments at present.

- Feedback could be directly addressed to registrar@mgu.ac.in or prakashkumar@mgu.ac.in

Brainstorming/Feedback Session

- Office staff from a few colleges raised their concerns regarding the keeping of accounts and the lateness of G.O. regarding fee payment which hampered their work
- Self-financing colleges and courses reported that differences in fee payment rules for SF courses should be clearly communicated to students via the university website and other means
- One college raised the issue of students dropping out after availing central government fellowships
- The representative from Maharajas mentioned the need to extend the university stipend of Rs. 12000/- to non-NET SC/ST research scholars at least.

St. Teresa's College, Ernakulam Details of SC/ST students of Research Centres

Details of SC/ST Students of Research Centres						
Sl. No.	Department	Name of SC/ST Student	Year of Registration	Scholarships Availed (If Any)	Discontinued Candidates (With Reason)	
					Name & Reason	Whether completed course work
1	Botany	Nil				
2	Economics	Nil				
3	English	Saritha K. V.	2015 Joined on 28.12.2015	Nil (Part time)	Nil	Passed Course Work examination conducted in 2017
4	Home Science	Priya Purushothaman	2019	JRF	Nil	
5	Physics	Nil				
6	Sociology	Nil				
7	Chemistry	Nil				