

**UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION**  
**NEW DELHI**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BHARATIYA BHASHA WITH UNIVERSITIES TO WORK AS NODAL UNIVERSITY FOR WRITING BOOKS IN THEIR RESPECTIVE LANGUAGES i.e. HINDI & URDU HELD ON 5<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024 IN VIRTUAL MODE**

The meeting of Bharatiya Bhasha with three universities namely; Lucknow University, Lucknow, Vikram University, Ujjain and Maulana Azad National Urdu University, Hyderabad held on 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 in virtual mode.

The following attended the meeting :

- 1) Prof. Deepak Kumar Srivastava, Vice Chairman, UGC
- 2) Prof. Syed Ainul Hasan, VC, MANUU, Hyderabad
- 3) Prof. Akhilesh Kumar Pandey, VC, Vikram University, Ujjain
- 4) Prof. S.K. Sharma, Professor, Vikram University, Ujjain
- 5) Prof. Arvind Awasthi, Professor, Pro-VC, Lucknow University, Lucknow
- 6) Prof. Fazil Ahsan Hashmi, Professor, MANUU, Hyderabad
- 7) Prof. Y.P. Singh, Lucknow University, Lucknow
- 8) Dr. Chandan Srivastava - Coordinator, BBS
- 9) Dr. Archana Thakur, Joint Secretary, UGC - Coordinator, UGC

**Background**

Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) play an important role in preparing textbooks and supporting the teaching-learning process in the mother tongue/Bharatiya Bhasha. In order to strengthen these efforts and promote such initiatives as writing textbooks in the Bhartiya Bhasha and encouraging their use in teaching, including translating standard books from other languages, UGC is in a process of identifying nodal universities for writing books in Bharatiya Bhasha and proposing the names of 10 VCs in respective states to serve as the member of the respective Bhasha Samvardhan Samiti. These Samitis' will also have the mandate to identify the prospective authors in the respective States for writing of books in the respective bhasha and coordinate with the UGC .

**Observation and Recommendations**

In the fourth phase, meeting with three universities namely Lucknow University, Lucknow, MANUU Hyderabad and Vikram University, Ujjain to work as nodal universities was held on 5<sup>th</sup> March, 2024 in virtual mode.

At the outset, Vice Chairman welcomed all the members and thanked the Vice Chancellors and the representatives to initiate the activities to identify the prospective authors in the respective States for writing books in respective bhasha i.e. Hindi and Urdu.

After detailed discussion with the members, the following recommendations were made :

- i) The Nodal Officers will suggest the names of 10 VCs in their respective states from Central/ Deemed/ Private/ State Universities who could be serving as the member of Hindi and Urdu Bhasha Samvardhan Samiti respectively in order to identify authors for writing textbooks in respective languages.

- ii) The Nodal officer will also have the mandate to identify the prospective authors in these three States for writing of books in their respective bhasha and coordinate with the UGC in this regard.
- iii) In order to develop a common understanding for the success of this initiative, a meeting with all the four Nodal Officers and Principal Secretaries (HE) of the respective States will be held in due course of time.
- iv) Nodal Officers will have flexibility of adding universities as members if any need arises and UGC will notify accordingly.
- v) Workshop for authors will be convened by Bharatiya Bhasha Samiti in next two weeks in online, offline or blended mode.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.