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Subject: Minutes of the 16th Meeting of SWAYAM Board held on 09.09.2019- reg.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith the Minutes of the Meeting of 16th SWAYAM Board held on 09.09.2019, under the chairmanship of Secretary (HE) in Room No. 112-C, M/o HRD, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi for further necessary action.

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Under Secretary to Government of India

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Minutes of the 16th SWAYAM Board Meeting held on 09.09.2019

Dated: 16.09.2019

The 16th Meeting of the SWAYAM Board was held under the Chairmanship of Shri R. Subrahmanyam, Secretary (HE), M/o HRD on 09.09.2019. List of Participants is enclosed.

2. **Confirmation of Minutes of the 15th SWAYAM Board Meeting:** SWAYAM Board Confirmed the minutes of 15th SWAYAM Board meeting with the following additions:

- 2.1 SWAYAM Board decided that UGC would continue as the National Coordinator for Non-Engineering Post Graduate Courses and UGC may outsource or use the existing capacity of CEC for the administrative / monitoring work.
- 2.2 Board noted the information of Extension of Contract of M/s Embee Software Pvt. Ltd. for M/s Azure Cloud Services for SWAYAM MOOCs Platform from 8th August, 2019 till 31st December, 2019.
- 2.3 Board noted the information of Extension of Contract of Bulk SMS Gateway and e-Mail Services through M/s Netcore Solutions Pvt. Ltd., New Delhi from 01.04.2019 to 31.03.2020

After detailed discussions the following decisions were arrived at:

3. **Orchestration of Online Programmes by Universities through SWAYAM :**

- 3.0 The Universities which are approved by the UGC under UGC online regulation 2018 to offer online programmes through SWAYAM, are responsible for designing, creating and delivery of their own online programmes. As per the relevant UGC regulations, these courses have to be created by the Universities themselves.
- 3.1.0 Currently the SWAYAM courses are offered under a single vertical (the 1st vertical). For hosting the online programmes offered by universities under the UGC online regulation 2018, IIT Madras will create a separate vertical (the 2nd vertical) in SWAYAM.
- 3.1.1 For the online programmes, which are stored in the 2nd vertical in SWAYAM, the University will be responsible for all the administrative processes such as enrolment of students for its online programmes, collecting the fees, keeping track of the courses that these students complete, award of degrees etc. The University will be charged 'hosting charges' which includes the cloud charges.
- 3.1.2 **Examinations:** The University will have the option to conduct its own final proctored examination for such online courses. However, they can also make use of the examination service being offered in SWAYAM.

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If the final examination is to be conducted in SWAYAM, the University will have to provide the question papers and answer keys as per the SWAYAM guidelines. University will also have to pay the examination fees to SWAYAM for its students taking the SWAYAN based examination.

- 3.2.0 While offering the courses as part of its online programmes (in the 2nd vertical), the University will have the option to offer some or all of the courses free to learners in SWAYAM who are registered in the 1st vertical of SWAYAM.
- 3.2.1 For such courses which will thus also be open to the learners registered in the 1st vertical of SWAYAM, the University will not be charged for hosting the course in the 1st vertical of SWAYAM. For these courses, the final examination would be conducted by SWAYAM for which University would have to provide the question papers and answer keys as per the guidelines. The students who decide to take the examination will pay the examination fees as per SWAYAM norms for 1st vertical.
- 3.3 IIT Madras was requested to work out the charging mechanism (for the 2nd vertical – see para 3.1.1 and 3.1.2 above) and discuss the same soon.
- 3.4 Secretary (HE) desired to have a meeting with all the Universities that have been approved to offer Online programmes through SWAYAM.

4. **SWAYAM Status:**

- IIT Madras presented that there are total 1,23,52,919 Enrollments on 2800 SWAYAM Courses (SWAYAM 1.0 –1,00,12,752 enrollments in 2213 courses , SWAYAM 2.0 – 23,40,167 enrollments in 587 courses of July 2019 Semester).
- Board requested IIT Madras to assess the total number of students who have got the benefit of credit transfer and also to capture the data of students going to benefit from credit transfer in future.
- Board requested IIT Madras to share the time-frame for the translation project and also inform the number of courses will be made available as scrolling text / subtitle on SWAYAM in January 2020.

5. **Separate Partition for School Education Courses in SWAYAM:** Board approved to create a Separate Partition for School Education Courses in SWAYAM. Board also requested IIT Madras to present in the next Board Meeting, the time schedule for the same.

6. **List of Courses for Jan.2020 Semester:** SWAYAM Board took note of the list of **98** courses for January 2020 semester received from NCs i.e. IIM B-24, IGNOU-23 , CEC-51.

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