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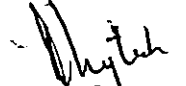
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C-Wing, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi  
Dated the 13<sup>th</sup> December, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

**Subject: Monthly summary for the Cabinet for the month of November, 2018 - regarding**

The undersigned is directed to circulate herewith a copy of the Monthly Summary for the Cabinet related to the significant activities of the Department of Higher Education for the month of November, 2018.



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Director

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**Encl: As above**

To

All Member of Council of Ministers

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1. All Secretary to the Government of India(All Ministries/Departments)
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**MONTHLY SUMMARY FOR THE CABINET FOR THE MONTH OF NOVEMBER, 2018**

**Important Policy Decisions Taken and Major Achievements During November, 2018**

- A. Meeting of Secretary (HE) with a delegation from University of Bristol regarding new initiatives in higher education like SPARC, GIAN, and Study in India took place on 26.11.2018.
- B. Indian Ambassador in Tajikistan was requested to represent India during the SCO Week of Education "Education without Borders" event held in Dushanbe, Tajikistan on 22-23 November, 2018. The Ambassador attended the same and submitted the statement on the event to MHRD.
- C. A meeting to review the progress of Infrastructure Projects and status of HEFA Loan of IITs and other CFTs was held on 19.11.2018 in MHRD under the Chairmanship of Secretary, Department of Higher Education. Officers from CPWD and NBCC attended the meeting in person apart from Heads of Institutes, who participated through video conferencing.
- D. A meeting to review the IMPRINT-I Projects with the Heads of Institutions and PIs was held on 26.11.2018 under the chairmanship of Secretary (HE) in MHRD. Prof. Indranil Manna, National Coordinator of IMPRINT also attended the meeting in person.
- E. Meetings with the all IITs to finalize the Budget Estimates for the year 2019-20 were held during 8.11.2018 to 14.11.2018 under the Chairmanship of Additional Secretary (TE), MHRD. Director (Finance), MHRD also attended the meeting.
- F. HEFA in its Board Meetings held on 2-11-18 and 17-11-18 has considered the proposals with total project cost of Rs. 12823.85 crore (Rs. 9403.48 and Rs. 3420.37 respectively) and approved Rs. 5693.37 crore (Rs. 3675.00 and Rs. 2018.37 Crore) respectively.
- G. **National Academic Depository (NAD)**  
As on 22<sup>nd</sup> November, 2018, around 1.60 crore academic awards including degrees, marks-sheets, certificates etc have been lodged by various academic institutions on National Academic Depository.

## **H. Centrally Sponsored Scheme of Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA)**

Multiple review meetings with Principal Secretary (Higher Education) of States along with the representatives of beneficiary institutions under RUSA were held on 1<sup>st</sup> November and 17<sup>th</sup> November, 2018. Also, a video conference with the States was held on 5<sup>th</sup> November, 2018. The issues discussed in the above mentioned meetings included expediting utilization of grants, physical progress of projects, submission of pending documents & readiness of projects for a proposed digital launch.

An amount of Rs. 4681.37 crore including Rs. 991.64 crore during the current financial year 2018-19 has been released to State Governments since the inception of the Scheme.