

MINUTES

A meeting of the committee constituted by the Competent Authority, consisting of the following, to consider the issue regarding change of gender and consequent change of name of a student of the University/College including an ex- student, on request, was held on 27.09.2021 at 3:30 p.m., 11.10.2021 at 3:00 p.m. and 24.11.2021 at 04:00 p.m. in the Council Room of the University:

1. Dean Students' Welfare (DSW)
2. Head, Department of Adult, Continuing Education & Extension(DACEE)
3. OSD, Examinations
4. Joint Registrar (Academic)

Assistant Registrar (Academic) assisted the committee in its deliberations.

At the outset, with the permission of the Chair, Assistant Registrar (Academic) provided a detailed account of the relevant chronological developments in this matter with reference to the following Executive Council Resolutions and consequent Notifications:

- Executive Council Resolution No. 48 dated 03.11.2012
- Executive Council Resolution No. 16 dated 28.05.2015
- Executive Council Resolution No. 65 dated 18.03.2021
- University Notification No. Aca-II/Change of name/279/2015/03 dated 01.07.2015.
- University Notification No. Aca-II/Change of Name/279/2015/04 dated 16.12.2015.
- University Notification No. Aca-II/Change of Name/279/2021/01 dated 16.04.2021.

The committee was apprised about a case of change of gender and consequent change of name of an ex-student of the Sri Venkateshwara College of the University from Sonali Chawla to Rohan Chawla. The student had studied from the University with effect from 2014 to 2017 in B.Sc. (Hons.) Mathematics. The request dated 03.09.2021 has been received on 09.09.2021. The applicant has enclosed a copy of several documents including the Gazette notification to this effect, Gender Recognition Certificate, Passport, PAN Card, Adhaar Card with the new name and gender. Further, a copy of the notarized document, one newspaper cutting has also been enclosed indicating the changed name.

The Head, Department of Adult, Continuing Education & Extension also highlighted the issue of change of gender for the transgender individuals. He provided a copy of the Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Rules, 2020 notified by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment vide Notification dated 25.09.2020 which has already appeared in the Gazette of India Extraordinary.

The committee took note of the matter under reference vis-à-vis the Executive Council Resolutions and consequent notifications issued in this regard from time to time as mentioned above and also noted that the issue of change of gender of a student was not deliberated upon earlier by the University. After due deliberations, the committee observed that there can be four different types of change of gender which are as follows:

- Female to Male
- Male to Female
- Transgender to Female
- Transgender to Male

After due deliberations, the committee recommended the following:

1. The first and the second categories above may be governed by the following recommendations of the committee in terms of necessity of providing relevant supporting documents.
2. However, the third and the fourth categories above will be governed by the Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Rules, 2020 notified by the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment vide Notification dated 25.09.2020(Annexure-I)for the existing students as well as of ex-students who wish to do so as per their request.

3. The committee recommended for the first and the second categories above that it would be appropriate to consider the requests for change of gender alongwith change of name for the existing students as well as of ex-students who wish to do so as per their request. They will be additionally required to produce a duly self-attested 'Gender Recognition Certificate' issued by the concerned hospital with proper identification number and date on the letter head of the issuing hospital alongwith any one Photo Identity Proof Issued by the Government i.e. Adhaar Card, PAN Card, Voter ID Card, Passport, Driving License reflecting the changed gender and consequent change of name in addition to the requirements prescribed vide Executive Council Resolution No. 65 dated 18.03.2021 and consequent Notification No. Aca-II/Change of Name/279/2021/01 dated 16.04.2021.
4. The old name and the changed name is interspersed by an expression nee in case the change of name from female to female and alias in case the change of name from male to male. However in case of change of gender nee/alias will be mentioned in between the old name and the changed name depending upon the new gender of the individual.
5. Any consequent amendment in the Examination related document(s) including Degree Certificate(s) will be carried out by the Examination Branch accordingly.
6. The committee, after due deliberations, recommends that following fee may be charged from the students, ex-students for change of gender and consequent change of name as the case may be:
 - Students- Rs. 1000/-
 - Ex-students- Rs. 2000/-

The proposed fees may be revised depending upon operational requirement from time to time.

The committee was also apprised about a few anomalous situations which had arisen due to various functional and operational aspects including the prevailing Pandemic situation in terms of implementation of the requirements of Executive Council Resolution No. 65 dated 18.03.2021 and consequent Notification No. Aca-II/Change of Name/279/2021/01 dated 16.04.2021. The committee deliberated upon these issues and recommended the following:

1. Those students (including ex-students) who have, on the basis of the Notification No.Aca-II/change of name/279/2015/04 dated 16.12.2015 changed their name in all the following documents on or before Notification No. Aca-II/change of name/279/2021/01 dated 16.04.2021 and has made a request to the University as an ex-student to this effect, due to the length of the procedure followed for change of his/her name in 10th & 12th Boards resulted in there delay in placing a request before the University during the currency of their study as a regular student, such students shall be considered for their change of name till 31.07.2022. This is a onetime measure.
 - a. Gazette of India Notification
 - b. Two Indian Leading Newspapers
 - c. Self-declaration
 - d. 10th CBSE/state Boards/other related boards
 - e. 12th CBSE/state Boards/other related boards
 - f. Any one Photo Identity Proof Issued by the Government i.e. Adhaar Card, PAN Card, Voter ID Card, Passport, Driving License.
2. There are another category of students who have applied in terms of the University notifications dated 01.07.2015 read with 16.12.2015 as already mentioned above before notification dated 16.04.2021 after passing out from the University as ex-student due to the prevailing Pandemic situation with effect from March, 2020, such ex-students may be considered for change of name till 31.07.2022 as a one-time measure.

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

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24.11.2021

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