Pondicherry University's Registrar and its subordinate offices play a pivotal role in addressing various grievances pertaining to Teaching, Non-Teaching, students, and other related matters. These offices are entrusted with the responsibility of handling and resolving diverse issues. To effectively tackle these concerns, the university constitutes several committees dedicated to addressing specific areas of concern. These committees are tasked with ensuring a fair and transparent process in handling grievances and fostering a harmonious academic environment for all stakeholders.



PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY

(A Central University)

Dr. B.R.AMBEDKAR ADMN. BUILDING, R.V. NAGAR, KALAPET, PUDUCHERRY - 605 014

MPT. SAGAYARAJA DEPUTY REGISTRAR (Estt)

PHONE NO.0413-2654935 E-Mail ID: registrar@pondiuni.edu.in

No. PU/Estt(T)/ET-3/2021-22/

CONFIDENTIAL

Date: 01.02.2022

To
Dr. K. Tharanikkarasu
Professor
Department of Chemistry
Pondicherry University

Sir,

Puducherry.

Sub: PU- Estt(T)- Constitution of Committee to look into the issue of representations received from faculty members under CAS promotion – Reg.

I am directed to inform that a Committee has been constituted with the following composition to look into the representations received from various faculty members on change of date of eligibility under CAS promotion:

1. Dr.M.S. Pandian

Chairman

Dean

School of Physical Chemical & Applied Sciences

2. Dr. K. Tharanikkarasu

Member

Dean

Centre for Green Energy Technology

3. Dr.T. Chithralekha

Member

Dean

School of Engineering & Technology

I request you to kindly accept the nomination.

The Chairman is requested to conduct the meeting on a mutually convenient date and submit the report at the earliest to the Registrar, Pondicherry University.

The undersigned will assist the committee in furnishing all the representations/documents connected with the issue at the time of the meeting whenever convened.

Yours faithfully,



DEPUTY REGISTRAR (ESTT)



PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY (A Central University)

R.Venkataraman Nagar, Kalapet, Puducherry - 605 014

Ref.No.PU/ESTT/NT-1/II-56/2021/ [10

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OFFICE ORDER No. 49

Sub: PU - Establishment - Appointment of Liaison Officer to look after matters on reservation for Economically Weaker Section (EWSa)-Reg

Ref: Office Memorandum No.36039/1/2019-Estt(Res) dated 31.01.2019 of Department of Personnel & Training, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Training, New Delhi.

Dr. G. Chandhrika, Professor, Department of History of this University is appointed as Liaison Officer for matters on reservation for Economically Weaker Section (EWSs) in accordance with the instructions issued by the Department of Personnel & Training, Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, New Delhi vide letter cited in the reference.

Her address and telephone numbers are as under:

Address	Telephone numbers	
Dr. G. Chandhriks Professor Department of History & Lásison Officer for matters on reservation for EWSs Pondicherry University, Pondicherry-605014	Office Email	: 0413- 2654381 : g.chandhrika@gmail.com

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Dr. G.Chandhrika ---- Through Proper Channel Department of History & Liaison officer for matters on reservation for EWSs Pondicherry University, Pondicherry-605014

Copy to:

1. The Deputy Registrar, Vice Chancellor's Secretariat, Pondicherry University

2. The Assistant Registrar, Registrar's Secretariat, Pondicherry University
3. The Assistant Registrar, Special Reservation Cell, Pondicherry University.
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PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY PUDUCHERRY

COMPOSITION OF NON-TEACHING STAFF GRIEVANCES REDRESSAL COMMITTEE (NTSGRC)

[Last Constitution]

1. Prof. M.S. Pandian

... Chairperson

Professor

Department of Earth Sciences

Pondicherry University

... Member

2. **Prof. G. Govindaraj** Dean

School of Physical, Chemical & Applied Sciences

Pondicherry University

3. Dr. P.K. Subramanian

... Member

Prof. & Head

Department of Physical Education & Sports

Pondicherry University

4. Dr. Clement Sagayaradja Lourdes

... Member

Prof. & Head

Department of English

Pondicherry University

5. **Deputy Registrar (Admn.)** Pondicherry University

... Member Secretary

(A Central University)

R. Venkataraman Nagar, Kalapet, Puducherry - 605 014

Ref.No.PU/ESTT/NT-1/II-24/2019/12

10.04.2019

OFFICE ORDER No. 09

Sub: PU - Establishment -Liaison Officer for looking after matters relating to reservation for SC/ST - Reg.

Ref: 1. This Office order No.564 issued vide Ref.No. PU/ESTT/NT-1/II-3/2010-11/ 247, dated 14.03.2011

- This Office order No.37 issued vide Ref.No. PU/ESTT/NT-1/II-30/2016/24 dated:22.04.2016
- This Office order No.244 issued vide Ref.No. PU/ESTT/NT-1/II-24/2016/277 dt: 21.12.2016

Dr. K. Devan, Professor & Head, Centre for Adult and Continuing Education of this University is appointed as the Liaison Officer of this University for the matters relating to Schedule Caste/Schedule Tribe in addition to his normal duties and his appointment as Liaison Officer for the matters relating to reservation for Other Backward Classes (OBC) until further orders.

Further, it is informed that there is no change in the previous nomination of Liaison Officer in respect of Persons with Disabilities (PWD), vide reference 2nd cited.

His address and telephone numbers are as under:-

Address	Telephone numbers	
Dr.K. Devan Professor & Head Centre for Adult and Continuing Education Pondicherry University, Kalapet, Pondicherry- 605 014	Office Residence Mobile	: 2654535 : 2290366 : 9344246757

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REGISTRAR (i/c)

To

Dr.K. Devan Professor & Head/Liaison Officer (OBC) Centre for Adult & Continuing Education Pondicherry University with a request to take over the charge from Dr. P. Muralidassan, Deputy Registrar (Admn.)

Copy to:

- The Joint Secretary, UGC, 35, Feroz Shah Road, New Delhi 110 001
- All Directors/Deans/HODs/Centre Heads/Librarian/Officers, of this university.
- Dr. G. Madan Mohan, Assistant Professor/Liaison Officer(PwD), Dept. of Management Studies, Pondicherry University

Dr.P. Muralidassan
 Deputy Registrar (Admn.)
 Pondicherry University

with a request to hand over the charge to

Dr. K. Devan, Professor& Head / Liaison Officer (OBC)

Centre for Adult & Continuing Education, PU.

- 5) The Systems Manager, Computer Centre, PU.... with a request to host this order in University website
- 6) The Assistant Registrar, Vice Chancellor's secretariat, Pondicherry University
- 7) The Assistant Registrar, Registrar's Secretariat, Pondicherry University
- 8) The Assistant Registrar, Special Reservation Cell, PU for information & necessary action



(A Central University) Dr.B.R. Ambedkar Administrative Building R. Venkataraman Nagar, Kalopet, Puducherry - 605 014

Ref. No.: PU/Estt/NT1/II-30-6/2022/ 3.3 O

OFFICE ORDER No. 44

PU-ESTT-Appointment of Liaison Officer & Grievance Redressal Officer to look after matters relating to Persons with Benchmark Disabilities Sub.; (PwBD) - Reg.

Ref.: Office Order No. 184 vide communication No.PU/ESTT/NY-1/II-30-6/2022/281 dt. 27.11.2019.

Dr. S. Victor Anand Kumar, Professor, Department of Management Studies of this University is appointed as Laison Officer for matters relating to Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) in the place of Dr. Binu Zachariah, Associate Professor, Department of English of this University and also as Grievance Redressai Officer for redressal grievances of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities (PwBD) in Pondicherry University for a period of two (02) years.

His address and telephone numbers are as under:

Address	Telephone numbers
Dr. S. Victor Anand Kumar Professor	Office : 0413-2654310
Department of Management Studies & Liaison Officer & Grievance Redressal	Mobile No. : 09488085167
Officer (Persons with Disabilities) Pondicherry University, Puducherry -	Email victor.dms@pondiumi.edu.in victoranandkumar.pu@gurail.com

The duties and responsibilities of the Liaison Officer shall be as prescribed by the UGC in its guidelines and Govt, of India instructions issued in this regard from time to time

REGISTRAR (Ve)

To

Dr. S. Victor Anand Kumar

... Through proper channel

Professor Department of Management Studies Pondicherry University Puducherry - 605014.

1. All Directors/Deans/HODs/Librarian & Officers. Pondicherry University - for circulation
2. The Co-ordinator, Enabling Unit, HEPSN,
Pondicherry University - For kind information.

Pondicherry University - For kind information.

Dr. Binu Zachariah, Associate Professor, Department of English,
Pondicherry University - with a request to hand over the charges.

The Deputy Registrar, Vico-Chancellor's Secretariat, Pondicherry University.

The Assistant Registrar, Establishment (Teaching) Section, PU.

The Systems Manager, Computer Centre, Pondicherry University – with a request to host in the Website.

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R. Venkataraman Nagar, Kalapet, Puducherry - 605 014

Ref.No.PU/ESTT/NT-1/II-24/2019/ \39

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OFFICE ORDER No. 121

Sub: PU – Establishment –Appointment of Liaison Officer for looking after matters relating to reservation for SC/ST – Reg.

Ref: 1. This Office order No.244 issued vide Ref.No. PU/ESTT/NT-1/II-24/2016/277 dt: 21.12.2016

- This Office order No.09 issued vide Ref.No. PU/ESTT/NT-1/II-24/2019/12 dt: 12.04.2019
- Letter dated 22.04.2019 from Dr.K. Devan, Professor, Centre for Adult & Continuing Education, Pondicherry University

Dr. P.G Arul, Professor, Department of International Business of this University is appointed as the Liaison Officer of this University for the matters relating to Scheduled Caste/Scheduled Tribe in addition to his normal duties.

His address and telephone numbers are as under:-

Address	ŋ	Telephone numbers '
Dr.P.G. Arul	Office	: 0413-2654733
Professor	Mobile	: 9489585536
Dept. of International Business	0.090510.0000000	
School of Management		
Pondicherry University, Kalapet,		
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REGISTRAR (i/c)

To

Dr.P.G Arul

Professor

Department of International Business

Pondicherry University

with a request to take over the charge from Dr. P. Muralidassan, Deputy Registrar (Admn.)

Copy to:

- 1) The Joint Secretary, UGC, 35, Feroz Shah Road, New Delhi 110 001
- 2) All Directors/Deans/HODs/Centre Heads/Librarian/Officers, of this university.
- 3) Dr.P. Muralidassan
 Deputy Registrar (Admn.) with a request to hand over the charge to
 Dr. P.G Arul, Professor,

Pondicherry University Dept. of International Business, PU.

- The Systems Manager, Computer Centre, PU.... with a request to host this order in University website
- 5) The Assistant Registrar, Vice Chancellor's secretariat, Pondicherry University
- 6) The Assistant Registrar, Registrar's Secretariat, Pondicherry University
- 7) The Assistant Registrar, Special Reservation Cell, PU for information & necessary action

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PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY

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Prof. K. THARANIKKARASU

REGISTRAR (i/c)

R. Venkataraman Nagar, Kalapet, Puducherry – 605 014,

PU/REGR/PGO/2018

Date: 28-02-2018

To

The Chairman and Members concerned

Sir/Madam,

Sub: PU - PGO - Constitution of Faculty Grievances Redressal Committee - Reg.

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In pursuance of the Executive Council Resolution 2006.97, the Vice-Chancellor is pleased to constitute a Faculty Grievances Redressal Committee with the following composition, for a period of two years:-

 Prof. P.P. Mathur - Chairman Professor & Head Dept. of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology

Prof. K. Rajan
 Professor
 Dept. of History

Member

 Prof. R. Chitra Sivasubramanian Professor & Head Dept. of Management Studies Member

4. Deputy Registrar (Estt.)

Member Secretary

I request you to kindly accept the nomination and a line of confirmation as a letter will highly be appreciated.

Yours faithfully,

(Prof. K. THARANIKKARASU) Registrar i/c

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Dr. SASI KANTA DASH REGISTRAR

Dr. B.R. AMBEDKAR ADMN, BUILDING. R.V. NAGAR, KALAPET, PUDUCHERRY-14

PU/REGR/PGO/2018 -19 897

Date: 03.10.2018

The Convener and Members concerned,

Sir,

Sub: PU - PGO - Re-Constitution of Non-Teaching Staff Grievances Redressal Committee -Reg

Ref: Lr.PU/REGR/PGO/2018/822 dt. 28.02.2018

In pursuance of the Executive Council Resolution 2006.97 and in continuation of the letter cited under reference the Vice-Chancellor has been pleased to nominate Prof. G. Govindaraj, Dean, School of Physical, Chemical & Applied Sciences on the Non-Teaching Staff Grievances Redressal Committee with the existing composition in the place of Dr. K. Porsezian, who has expired.

1. Prof. M.S. Pandian, Professor Dept. Earth Sciences Convener

2. Dr. Clement Sagayaradja Lourdes Professor & Head Dept. of English

Member

3. Deputy Registrar (Admn.)

Member Secretary

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. SASI KANTA DASH)

Registrar



PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY PUDUCHERRY

MOST URGENT

No. PU/REGR/Students Welfare/2019/ 084

Date: 26.07.2019

CIRCULAR No: 10

Sub: Committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor to address grievances presented by the students in the meeting held on 26.07.2019 - Reg

The Vice-Chancellor has constituted the following committee to look into the grievances presented by the students in the meeting held on 26.07.2019:

- 1. Dr. K. Srinivas, Professor, Dept. of Philosophy.
- 2. Dr. K.V. Devi Prasad, Professor, Dept. of Ecology & Environmental Sciences.
- 3. Dr. K. Rajan, Professor, Dept. of History.
- 4. Dr. A. Shahin Sultana, Dean, Students Welfare.
- 5. Dr. V. Mariappan, Professor, Dept. of Banking Technology.
- 6. Dr. S. Riasudeen, Associate Professor, Dept. of Management Studies.
- 7. Students to be nominated.

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To

All Concerned.

Copy to:

1. The Assistant Registrar, VC's Secretariat

for kind information of VC.

- 2. The Assistant Registrar to Director (SEI&RR)
- 3. The PA to Director (Cultural & Cultural Relations)
- 4. The PS to the Finance Officer, Pondicherry University
- 5. The PS to the Controller of Examinations, Pondicherry University.
- 6. The Librarian, Pondicherry University
- 7. The Chief Warden, Hostels, Pondicherry University
- 8. The Systems Manager & Head
- ... with a request to host in the University website.



Dean

PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY OFFICE OF STUDENTS' WELFARE

R. Venkataraman Nagar, Kalapet, Pondicherry - 14 Phone: (O) 0413-2654556

19.10.2018

Grievance Redressal Cell for Students' Council Election

University has constituted the Grievance Redressal Cell for the Students' Council Election 2018-19 vide PU/ACA/Aca-6/2018-19/Students' Council dated 04.10.2018 with the following members:

1	Dr. D. Lazar Professor and Dean Students' Welfare	Chairman
2	Dr.K.Rajan Professor Department of History	Member
3	Dr.Uma Chandrasekaran Associate Professor Department of Management Studies	Member
4	Dr.P.Muralidasan Deputy Registrar (Admn)	Coordinate with Grievance Redressal Cell

The following students are co-opted for the Grievance Cell.

5	Ms. Anu Pradeep C.P II Year Student, Center for South Asian Studies	Member
6	Mr. Ajmeera Ramesh II Year Student, Department of Physics	Member

Dr. D. Lazar

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The System Manager with the request to host in Website

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PU/REGR/2020-21/-320

Dt.27.11.2020

NOTIFICATION

Sub: Appointment of Central Public Information Officer (CPIO) for all

RTIs received by the University - Orders issued - Reg.

Ref: 1) Office Order No.201 dt. 20.12.2018.

2) Notification No. PU/REGR/RTI/2019 dated 11.06.2019.

In partial modification of the Notification 2nd cited above, Shri N. Giridharan, Assistant Registrar (Admn) is hereby appointed as the Central Public Information Officer (CPIO) for Offline and Online RTIs received by the University. All the RTI applications received in various sections shall be dealt by the CPIO only. However, there is no change in the First Appellate Authorities already designated.

The Officers designated as PIOs in the earlier notification shall be designated as Deemed Public Information Officers (DPIOs) and shall assist the Central Public Information Officer.

This notification comes to immediate effect.

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REGISTRAR (i/c)

To

Shri N. Giridharan, Assistant Registrar (Admn.) Establishment – Non-teaching, Pondicherry University.

Copy to

- The Nodal Officer, RTI Cell (Online) with a request to kindly make necessary changes Pondicherry University in the RTI MIS portal.
- 2. The Transparency Officer, Pondicherry University
- All First Appellate Authorities with a request to kindly circulate among the PIOs as last notified.
- 4. The Systems Manager & Head, with a request to post in the University website.

 Computer Centre

Appointed Dean, Student Welfare to cater to the welfare of the students of the University **Department:**

https://www.pondiuni.edu.in/department/students-wellfare/

Sexual Harassment Prevention Committee:

https://www.pondiuni.edu.in/sexual-harassment-prevention-committee-shpc/

Special Reservation Cell:



Pondicherry University

Special Reservattion Cell

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This SC/ST Cell has established for the welfare of SC/ST students of the University as per the instructions of the UGC/State Government from time to time. The Cell also functions as a Grievances Redressal Cell for the grievances of the SC/ST students and employees of the University and renders them necessary help in solving their academic as well as administrative problems. The Cell also performs any other work assigned from time to time to promote higher education among these two communities suffering from economic, social and educational deprivations. The main objective of the SC/ST Cell is to ensure proper implementation of various schemes of University Grants commission/Government of India State Government introduced from time to time.

Contact

Dr. P.G. Arul

Professor, Liaison Officer (SC/ST) Department of International Business, Pondicherry University,

Puducherry - 605014, India

Mobile: +91 9489585536, P: 0413 - 2656733

Dr. S. Murugaiyan

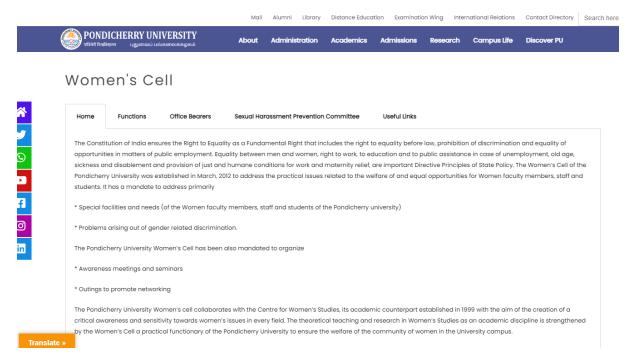
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India

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Women Cell:

https://www.pondiuni.edu.in/womens-cell/



Institutional Human Ethics committee:

https://www.pondiuni.edu.in/university_news/notification-of-the-meeting-of-institutional-ethical-committee-human-studies/



புதுவைப்பல்கலைக்கழகம் पांडिच्चेरी विश्वविद्यालय PONDICHERRY UNIVERSITY

(केंद्रीय विश्वविद्यालय A Central University)

பேராசிரியர்.ரஜ்னீஷ்பூடானி பதிவாளர் (பொ.) प्रो.रजनीशभूटानी कुलसचिव(.प्र) PROF. RAJNEESH BHUTANI REGISTRAR (i/c)

आर.वेंकटरामननगर/ r.venkataraman nagar कालापेट/KALAPET पुदुच्चेरी/PUDUCHERRY-605014 भारत/ INDIA

₹i/No.PU/P&D/PD2/2023-24/ \$8

दिनांक/Date: 03.05.2023

NOTIFICATION

Sub: PU - P&D - Reconstitution of Institutional Ethical Committee (Human Studies) of Pondicherry University - Reg.

With reference to the subject cited above, the Institutional Ethical Committee (Human Studies) of Pondicherry University is re-constituted with the following composition.

Sl.No.	Name of the Committee Members	
1	Dr.N. Arumugam, Professor, Department of Biotechnology, School of Life Sciences, Pondicherry University.	Chairperson
2	Dr.Reena Gulati, Professor, Department of Paediatrics, JIPMER, Puducherry.	Basic Medical Scientist(s)
3	The Dean, Indira Gandhi Medical College & Research Institute (IGMCRI), Puducherry.	Clinician(s)
4	Smt.A.V.Bharathi, Advocate, No.396, New Law chambers, High Court Buildings, High Court of Madras, Chennai.	Legal Expert
5	Ms.Beloo Mehra, Senior Academic Mentor (Indian Culture), Sri Aurobindo Society – Society House, No.11, St. Martin Street, Puducherry.	Social Scientist/ Philosopher/Ethicist/Theologian
6	Dr.B.B.Mohanty, Professor, Department of Sociology, School of Social Sciences & International Studies, Pondicherry University,	

Sl.No.	Name of the Committee Members	
7	Prof.J.Ranganathan, Honorary Consul of Myanmar, Hallmark Tower' 4 th Floor, TTK Road, Alwarpet, Chennai	Lay Person
8 Dr.R.Rukkmani, Professor & Head Department of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, School of Life Sciences, Pondicherry University.		Member Secretary

Further, the Member Secretary of the Committee is hereby requested to conduct the meeting as and when required. The minutes of the meeting may be submitted to the Planning and Development Section for appraisal of the University authorities.

Thanking you,

(PROF. RAJNEESH BHUTANI) REGISTRAR (I/C)

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To:

All Concerned Members

Copy to:

- The A.R., O/o. the Vice-Chancellor's Secretariat for kind information of the Vice-Chancellor
- 2) The A.R., the Registrar for kind information of the Registrar.
- 3) The A.R. Director's Secretariat (SEI&RR) for kind information of the Director.
- 4) The D.R, Research and Development Cell

UGC has established an online grievances redressal portal for students and staff. All grievances are registered and resolved here.

https://samadhaan.ugc.ac.in/Pages/AboutUs





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UGC provided various mechanisms to resolve the issues and concerns of various stake holders. Because of non-availability of a single window system the stake holders were lodging multiple complaints /grievances at various places. Due to that the redressal mechanisms was at slow pace, which was also causing further concerns to the stake holders. The resolution of Institutional Entity Grievances has always been a top priority of the University Grant Commission. UGC took advantage of ICT enhancements and came up with the "e-Samadhan Online Grievance Registering and Monitoring System" It is a digital platform for Stake holders to identify and apply for grievances/feedback/queries. This platform ensures a time-bound mechanism for redressal of the grievances.

To stream line the stake holders grievance redressal mechanisms, UGC has merged its existing portals/ helplines except Anti Ragging Helpline and developed a new portal "UGC e-samadhan: A step forward: Service to Stake Holders" which would be a single Window system for all the stake holders for registering their complaints/ grievances on the portal which would be available 24x7 with a click of mouse. A toll free No. 1800-111-656 will also be available on UGC website 24x7 for lodging complaints by the stake holders on any issue faced by them.

The user would be able to register a grievance by following simple procedure with the help of mail ID /making a phone call on toll free number. The complaint gets recorded and a docket number shall be allotted which would be automatically reflected in the concerned bureau head's accounts. The concerned bureau shall resolve the issues within the stipulated time as per details given below:

Slno	Subject Matter	Maximum time limit to reply
		As per the existing norms
	Bi((24X7 Helpline no : 1800-180-5522)
1	Ragging/ Gender Issue	Email: helpline@antiragging.in
		Website: https://www.antiragging.in/)
2	Student's related matters	20 working days
2	Teaching/ Non Teaching	45 wedden dew
3	issues	15 working days
4	University/ College/any other matter	20 working days

Outcomes:

Students can file various complaints through a single platform. It will be easier to track the progress of the complaints due to proper documentation and docket numbers. It would help to identify the institutions which are not responding to the grievances to take stringent measures by the Commission. The information and

University is following the University Grants Commission (Redressal of Grievances of Students) Regulations, 2023

https://www.ugc.gov.in/pdfnews/4675881_Regulation.pdf

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 11th April, 2023

University Grants Commission (Redressal of Grievances of Students) Regulations, 2023

F.1-13/2022 (CPP-II).— In exercise of the powers conferred under clause (g) of sub-section (1) of Section 26 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956), and in supersession of the University Grants Commission (Redress of Grievances of Students) Regulations, 2019, the University Grants Commission hereby makes the following regulations, namely -

1. SHORT TITLE, APPLICATION, AND COMMENCEMENT:

- (a) These regulations shall be called as the University Grants Commission (Redressal of Grievances of Students) Regulations, 2023.
- (b) They shall apply to all higher education institutions, whether established or incorporated by or under a Central Act or a State Act, and every institution recognized by the University Grants Commission under clause (f) of Section 2 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 and to all institutions deemed to be a University declared as such under Section 3 therein and to all higher education institutions affiliated to a University.
- (c) They shall come into force from the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. OBJECTIVE

To provide opportunities for redressal of certain grievances of students already enrolled in any institution, as well as those seeking admission to such institutions, and a mechanism thereto.

(2) Every institution shall fix the price of each printed copy of the prospectus, being not more than the reasonable cost of its publication and distribution and no profit be made out of the publication, distribution, or sale of prospectus.

5. STUDENT GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL COMMITTEES (SGRC):

- A complaint from an aggrieved student relating to the institution shall be addressed to the Chairperson, Students' Grievance Redressal Committee (SGRC).
- (ii) Every Institution shall constitute such number of Students' Grievance Redressal Committees (SGRC), as may be required to consider grievances of the students, with the following composition, namely:
 - a) A Professor Chairperson
 - b) Four Professors/Senior Faculty Members of the Institution as Members.
 - c) A representative from among students to be nominated on academic merit/excellence in sports/performance in co-curricular activities-Special Invitee.
- (iii) Atleast one member or the Chairperson shall be a woman and atleast one member or the Chairperson shall be from SC/ST/OBC category.
- (iv) The term of the chairperson and members shall be for a period of two years.
- (v) The term of the special invitee shall be one year.
- (vi) The quorum for the meeting including the Chairperson, but excluding the special invitee, shall be three.
- (vii) In considering the grievances before it, the SGRC shall follow principles of natural justice.
- (viii) The SGRC shall send its report with recommendations, if any, to the competent authority of the institution concerned and a copy thereof to the aggrieved student, preferably within a period of 15 working days from the date of receipt of the complaint.
- (ix) Any student aggrieved by the decision of the Students' Grievance Redressal Committee may prefer an appeal to the Ombudsperson, within a period of fifteen days from the date of receipt of such decision.

6. APPOINTMENT, TENURE, REMOVAL AND CONDITIONS OF SERVICES OF OMBUDSPERSON:

- Each University shall appoint Ombudsperson for redressal of grievances of students of the university and colleges/institutions affiliated with the university under these regulations.
- There shall be one or more part-time functionaries designated as Ombudspersons to hear, and decide on, appeals preferred against the decisions of the SGRCs.
- (iii) The Ombudsperson shall be a retiredVice-Chancellor or a retired Professor (who has worked as Dean/HOD) and has 10 years' experience as a Professor at State/Central Universities/Institutions of National Importance/Deemed to be Universities or aformer District Judge.
- (iv) The Ombudsperson shall not, at the time of appointment, during one year before appointment, or in the course of his/her tenure as Ombudsperson, be in conflict of interest with the Institution where his/her personal relationship, professional affiliations or financial interest may compromise or reasonably appear to compromise, the independence of judgment towards the Institution.
- (v) The Ombudsperson shall be appointed for a period of three years or until he/she attains the age of 70 years, whichever is earlier, from the date of assuming office, and shall be eligible for reappointment for another one term.
- (vi) For conducting the hearings, the Ombudsperson shall be paid a sitting fee, per diem, in accordance with the norms fixed by the respective university and shall, in addition, be eligible for reimbursement of the expenditure incurred on conveyance.
- (vii) The University may remove the Ombudsperson from office, on charges of proven misconduct or misbehaviour.