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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub:- Provision for absence from semester exams and loss of academic grading for NCC cadets participating in various NCC camps-reg.

Please refer to the attached Minutes of the 51st Central Advisory Committee meeting held on 18.10.2019. The meeting was chaired by Hon'ble Raksha Rajya Mantri (RRM), and he discussed about the fear of missing out an academic year or getting low academic grading, may prevent many Cadets from participating in such prestigious camps like NCC. Therefore, a provision may be made to take their examination, after such centrally organised camps and this examination should not be treated as a retest.

- 2. In view of the above, Secretary(HE) had decided that all deemed universities, central universities under UGC, State Education Boards and CBSE will make necessary provisions to conduct examinations for the cadets participating in NCC Camps organised at the national level as fresh candidate. Their grading and assessment will be endorsed as a fresh candidate and not as a candidate who has appeared for a re-test.
- 2. UGC and AICTE may kindly provide their comments in the matter for further examination in the aforesaid issue.

Encl:- As above.

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To,

- 1. The Secretary, University Grants Commission, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002
- 2. The Chairman, All India Council for Technical Education, Dr Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi- 110057

MINUTES OF THE 51ST CENTRAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON 18 OCT 2019 AT 1100H IN ROOM NO. 203, SOUTH BLOCK, NEW DELHI

- 1. The 51st meeting of the Central Advisory Committee of NCC, was held on 18 Oct 2019, at 1100h, in Room No. 203, South Block, New Delhi. The meeting was chaired by the Hon'ble Raksha Rajya Mantri, Shri Shripad Naik and attended by the three Service Chiefs, Secy (Def Fin), two nominated MPs and other civilian dignitaries, along with MoD and NCC officials
- 2. At the outset, Rear Admiral Alok Bhatnagar, NM, ADG (A) welcomed the Hon'ble RRM, the three Service Chiefs, Officers of MoD and introduced the other CAC members, which included Shri Kuldip Sharma, MP(LS), Mrs Sonal Mansingh, MP(RS), Dr Mithu Alur and Shri Piyush Pandey. A list of participants is placed at Appendix 'A'.

Address by Hon'ble RRM

- 3. The Hon'ble RRM, welcomed all the participants and expressed his happiness, at chairing the 51st Central Advisory Committee meeting.
- 4. He acknowledged NCC, as the premier uniformed Youth Organization of the country and its role in grooming the youth. He commended the NCC fraternity, for their yeomen service and untiring efforts in diverse Social Service and Community Development projects, in consonance with the vision and directives received from the Hon'ble PM. He also accredited the organization, on being awarded "Swachhta Puruskar", along with "Certificate of Excellence" by Hon'ble PM of India in 2018, for outstanding contribution towards 'Swachh Bharat Abhiyaan'. He complimented the excellent performance by NCC cadets, in various activities pertaining to training, sports, and adventure.
- 5. The Hon'ble RRM recognized the energetic contribution and initiatives undertaken by the NCC, to groom the youth and requested the three Service Chiefs, to post good officers, JCOs, NCOs and equivalent, who can be torch bearers of our armed forces and be also the role models for the youth. He also emphasized the importance of Youth Exchange Programme, as it provides an opportunity for the youth, especially from rural and semi-urban areas, to visit foreign countries and get valuable exposure of international environment.
- 6. He highlighted certain issues, such as provisioning of uniforms to cadets, state of infrastructure across NCC, revision of Peace Establishment and provisioning of additional WTLOs and GCIs, that are critical to NCC. He stated that the NCC movement needs to be strengthened further, as NCC working culture and environment, enhance the overall personality of the youth, during the impressionable age. Therefore, it is important that we give our youth, an institutional mechanism, through which we can inculcate in them proper values that will not only help them to be responsible citizens but also contribute towards nation building. Hon'ble RRM expressed confidence, that the decisions that will emanate, from this meeting would go a long way in improving the overall efficiency and effectiveness of the NCC.

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POINT NO. 6: PROVISION FOR ABSENCE FROM SEMESTER EXAMS & LOSS OF ACADEMIC GRADING

- 82. **Proposal**. It is proposed, that the education department of respective States and autonomous universities, should allow the Cadets coming for RDC or any similar national camps, like All India Thal Sainik Camp, All India Nau Sainik Camp & All India Vayu Sainik Camp, to take their Semester exams, after such centrally organized camps. Further, this examination is not to be treated as a retest.
- 83. <u>Justification</u>. All these students are meritorious NCC Cadets, representing their States in such prestigious camps. The fear of missing out on an academic year or getting low academic grading, prevents many Cadets from participating in such prestigious camps. Implementation of this enabling provision, will invite talent and encourage everyone, to participate and compete in such competitions at national level.
- 84. <u>Decision</u>. The Chairman directed, that the case be taken up with MoHRD for institutionalization of this as a policy.

DRAFT POLICY GUIDELINE / ADVISORY TO BE ISSUED BY MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT

PROVISION FOR ABSENCE FROM SEMESTER EXAMS AND LOSS OF ACADEMIC GRADING FOR NCC CADETS PARTICIPATING IN VARIOUS NCC CAMPS

- 1. NCC conducts large number of camps at the National Level which includes All India Thal Sainik Camp, All India Nau Sainik Camp & All India Vayu Sainik Camp. Beside this, selected cadets attend one month of Republic Day Camp which culminates on 28 Jan every year with Hon'ble Prime Minister's Rally.
- 2. Participation in these prestigious camps is a matter of great honour for the cadets and the institutes. However, fear of missing out on semester examinations, losing of an academic year and getting an endorsement of a re-test candidate prevents large number of cadets in participating in these prestigious camps.
- 3. As per the policy decision of 51st Central Advisory Committee chaired by Hon'ble RRM the cadets attending these camps should be treated as a fresh candidate in the examination held, consequent to the main examination. These candidates should not be treated as a re-test candidates which has undesirable implications.
- 4. It is hereby directed that all deemed universities, Central universities under UGC, State Education Boards and CBSE will make necessary provisions to conduct examinations for the cadets participating in NCC Camps organised at the national level as fresh candidate. Their grading and assessment will be endorsed as a fresh candidate and not as a candidate who has appeared for a re-test.