

**Proceedings of the XXI National Agricultural Education Accreditation Board  
Meeting held on 28 February, 2018 in DG Board Room at NASC Complex,  
DPS Marg, Pusa New Delhi 110012**

At the outset, Dr. N. S. Rathore warmly welcomed the Chairman and members of the National Agricultural Education Accreditation Board and briefed them about agenda for the meeting. Dr. Trilochan Mahapatra, Secretary, DARE and DG, ICAR and the Chairman of the Board invited discussion on the agenda and formally initiated the proceedings. The following attended the Meeting:

<b>S. No.</b>	<b>Name</b>	<b>Designation</b>
1.	Dr. Trilochan Mahapatra, Secretary, DARE and DG, ICAR	Chairman
2.	Dr. N. S. Rathore, DDG, Agricultural Education, ICAR	Vice-Chairman
3.	Dr. V. S. Thakur, Former VC, Dr. YSPUHF, Solan	Member
4.	Dr. A. Padma Raju, Former VC, ANGRAU, Hyderabad and Lam Guntur	Member
5.	Dr. A. R. Pathak, VC, JAU, Junagarh	Member
6.	Shri Dinesh Mali, Jyoti Ba Phule Teachers Training College, Udaipur, Rajasthan	Member
7.	Dr. G. Venkateshwarlu, ADG (EQR), ICAR, Pusa, New Delhi	Secretary
8.	Dr. K. P. Tripathi, Principal Scientist (EQR), ICAR, Pusa, New Delhi	Special Invitee
9.	Dr. K. L. Khurana, Principal Scientist (EQR), ICAR, Pusa, New Delhi	Special Invitee

## **1. Confirmation of the Proceedings of the earlier NAEAB Meetings**

Since no comment was received from any member on the proceedings of the board meetings held on 20/03/2017 and 27/07/2017, the respective proceedings were confirmed.

## **2. Grant of accreditation to the agricultural universities and colleges/ programmes**

2.1 The accreditation of Sri Venkateswara Veterinary University, Tirupati and its following constituent colleges along with their degree programmes, mentioned against each, was **approved for a period of five years (from 2017-18 to 2021-22):**

### **A. College of Veterinary Science, Tirupati**

- a. BVSc & AH
  
- b. M.V.Sc in the following programmes:
  1. Animal Genetics and Breeding
  2. Animal Nutrition
  3. Veterinary Gynaecology and Obstetrics
  4. Livestock Products Technology
  5. Livestock Production and Management
  6. Poultry Science
  7. Veterinary Anatomy
  8. Veterinary Medicine
  9. Veterinary Microbiology
  10. Veterinary Parasitology
  11. Veterinary Pathology
  12. Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology
  13. Veterinary Physiology
  14. Veterinary Public Health and Epidemiology
  15. Veterinary Surgery and Radiology
  16. Veterinary Biochemistry
  17. Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Extension Education

c. Ph.D. in Livestock Production and Management

1. Veterinary Medicine
2. Animal Nutrition
3. Veterinary Parasitology
4. Veterinary Pathology
5. Veterinary Physiology
6. Veterinary Microbiology
7. Poultry Science
8. Veterinary Gynaecology and Obstetrics
9. Veterinary Surgery and Radiology

d. The Masters and Doctoral programmes in other disciplines were not considered for accreditation as the first batch students have yet to pass out.

**B. College of Dairy Technology, Tirupati**

a. B.Tech (Dairy Technology)

b. M.Tech in

1. Dairy Technology
2. Dairy Microbiology

**C. College of Veterinary Science, Proddatur**

a. BVSc & AH

b. The Masters programmes were **not considered for accreditation** as the first batch has yet to pass out.

**D. College of Fishery Science, Muthukur**

a. B.F.Sc.

b. M.F.Sc. in

1. Aquaculture
2. Fish Processing Technology
3. Aquatic Animal Health Management
4. Aquatic Environment Management
5. Fisheries Resource Management

- c. Ph.D. programmes in Fishery Science **were not considered for accreditation** as the first batch has yet to pass out.

**E. College of Veterinary Science, Gannavaram**

- a. BVSc & AH
- b. M.V.Sc.
1. Animal Genetics and Breeding
  2. Animal Nutrition
  3. Veterinary Gynaecology and Obstetrics
  4. Livestock Products Technology
  5. Livestock Production and Management
  6. Veterinary Anatomy
  7. Veterinary Medicine
  8. Veterinary Microbiology
  9. Veterinary Parasitology
  10. Veterinary Pathology
  11. Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology
  12. Veterinary Public Health and Epidemiology
  13. Veterinary Surgery and Radiology
  14. Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Extension Education
- c. Ph.D. in Veterinary Pharmacology and Toxicology
- d. The Doctoral programmes in other disciplines were not considered for accreditation as the first batch students have yet to pass out.

2.2. The accreditation of **School of Agricultural Sciences & Rural Development, Nagaland University, Medziphema** and its following degree programmes **were approved for accreditation for a period of five years (from 2017-18 to 2021-22):**

- a. B.Sc. (Hons.) Ag.
- b. M.Sc. (Ag) in
- Agricultural Chemistry & Soil Science
  - Agronomy

- Entomology
  - Plant Pathology
  - Genetics & Plant Breeding
  - Horticulture – Floriculture & Landscaping
  - Horticulture – Fruit Science
  - Horticulture-Vegetable Science
  - Livestock Production & Management
- c. Ph.D. Programme in
- Agricultural Chemistry & Soil Science
  - Genetics & Plant Breeding
  - Horticulture-Floriculture & Landscaping
  - Horticulture-Fruit Science
  - Horticulture-Vegetable Science
  - Livestock Production & Management
- d. The following degree programmes in the College **were not approved** for accreditation:
1. M.Sc. (Ag) in
    - Agricultural Economics
    - Agricultural Extension
    - Soil and Water Conservation
    - Rural Development & Planning
  2. Ph.D. in
    - Agricultural Economics
    - Agricultural Extension
    - Entomology
    - Plant Pathology
    - Agronomy
    - Soil and Water Conservation
    - Rural Development & Planning

- e. The Board noted that in order to ascertain quality of education in the School the University has to address the following issues and submit action taken report to the Council within one year:
- i. PG laboratories and classrooms in most of the Departments need strengthening in terms of space, equipments and technical/supporting staff as per UGC/ICAR norms.
  - ii. The Dean of the School needs to be appointed on regular basis against a regular Dean post. Dean must be allowed to function with all its administrative, financial and academic powers as per ICAR/UGC norms. Administrative and Financial powers of the Dean should not be diverted to the Pro-VC appointed for the College.
  - iii. Vice-Chancellor and Finance Officer/Comptroller of the University should be responsible for all financial management of the College, specially the ICAR development grants from the Education Division.
  - iv. Even with the Professor available in the Department, the charge of Head of the Department should not be given to the Associate Professor in the Department.
  - v. The Board advised the university/college to follow the pattern of BHU with respect to governance/management of agriculture faculty.

**2.3. College of Agriculture, Lembucherra, Tripura (affiliated to Tripura University (a Central University))**

The Board approved the following:

- A. The College of Agriculture meets the minimum standards for B.Sc (Hons.) Ag. Degree programmes in terms of infrastructure and provision of faculties. However, the Principal of the College is working under the administrative control of Director of Agriculture, Tripura. In view of this it is essential that the college should ensure its administrative autonomy at the level of Principal of the College in terms of all administrative and financial powers as per ICAR/UGC guidelines and also implement the Career Advancement Scheme for the faculty.
- B. The College and its degree programme B.Sc. (Hons.) Agriculture may be considered for accreditation only after submission of satisfactory action taken report for the above observations (Point-A) by the College within one year.

**3. Action Taken submitted by the agricultural universities as per the observations of NAEAB: Consideration of Colleges/Programmes for accreditation as co-terminus with the University accreditation:**

3.1. M.F.Sc (FRM) under the College of Fisheries, Lembuchera, CAU, Imphal was approved for accreditation, which should be co-terminus with the university accreditation.

3.2. The Agricultural College, Rajamahendravaram under the ANGRAU, Lam, Guntur may be considered for accreditation based on the report of the following committee constituted to verify the ATR submitted by the University.

a. Dr. Vijay Singh Thakur, former VC, Dr. YSPUHF, Solan and Member NAEAB

b. Dr. G. Venkateshwarlu, ADG (EQR) and Secretary, NAEAB

The committee will submit its report within three months to the NAEAB for discussion in next Board meeting.

3.3. Faculty of Dairy Technology and its programmes under West Bengal University of Animal and Fishery Sciences, Kolkata may be considered for accreditation based on the report of the following committee constituted to verify the ATR submitted by the University.

a. Dr. Vijay Singh Thakur, former VC, Dr. YSPUHF, Solan and Member NAEAB

b. Dr. G. Venkateshwarlu, ADG (EQR) and Secretary, NAEAB

The committee will submit its report within three months to the NAEAB for discussion in next Board meeting.

**3.4. Sardarkrishinagar Dantiwada Agricultural University, Sardarkrushinagar,  
Dantiwada**

The College of Dairy Science and Food Technology and its programmes B. Tech. (Dairy Technology) and B. Tech. (Food Technology) and College of Home Science and its B. Sc. (Hons.) Community Science **were approved for accreditation**. The duration of accreditation of these programmes will be co-terminus with the university accreditation.

### 3.5. NAU, Navsari, Gujrat

The College of Agriculture, Waghai and its programme B.Sc. (Ag) programme and College of ASPEE Shakilam Agri Biotechnology Institute and its programme B. Tech (Biotechnology) were **approved for accreditation**. The duration of accreditation of these programmes will be co-terminus with the university accreditation.

### 4. Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, Maharashtra

With respect to the representation from the students of Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik, Maharashtra regarding Discrepancies in the B.Sc. (Agri.) and B.Sc. (Hort.) degrees awarded by the University, the Board noted that the case is sub-judice, therefore, it may not be possible to offer any comment in the matter.

### 5. Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa (Samastipur)

It was noted that the non-accredited programmes running at Dr. Rajendra Prasad Central Agricultural University, Pusa (Samastipur) were considered for admission for UG/PG/SRF from the AIEEA of ICAR for the year 2017-18 Session. However, the Board decided that the University should get the ICAR accreditation for these colleges, if it wishes to receive students from ICAR entrance examination in the coming academic session (2018-19). A letter in this regard needs to be sent to the University.

### 6. Guidelines for accreditation of higher agricultural educational institutions in India

- A new guideline for accreditation of higher agricultural educational institutions in India has already been implemented. In this respect the necessary approval of the GB has also been received with certain modification in fee structure and midterm review for accredited universities. Incorporating these suggestions of GB, two documents namely, **Self Study Report for accreditation of higher agricultural educational institutions** and **Conducting Peer Review for accreditation of higher agricultural educational institutions** will be published out of the original document. The revised accreditation fee and midterm review may be incorporated in the new documents.
- Regarding Midterm review of the accredited Higher Agricultural Educational Institutions, as suggested by GB, the institutions should be requested to submit comprehensive compliance report in a format prescribed by the Council on the

observations of Peer Review Team for accreditation of the institution after completion of 2.5 years from the date of accreditation. The compliance report will be reviewed by the Sectoral Committees of the NAEAB. Observation of the Sectoral Committees will be put up to the next meeting of the NAEAB. Remarks of the Board will be communicated to the institution for necessary action.

#### **7. Revision of Minimum Requirements for Establishment of New Colleges in Agriculture and allied disciplines**

- The Education Division has developed Minimum Requirement for Establishment of new Colleges in Agricultural and Allied Disciplines in 2016. This has been carved out from the V Deans' Committee Report which is being implemented across the Agricultural Universities. While implementing the Minimum Requirements for Establishment of New Colleges in Agriculture and Allied Disciplines during accreditation, it was realized that the infrastructure and faculty suggested in the document are not indicated proportionately in all 11 disciplines. This issue is repeatedly being raised by VCs, faculty and students. The Sectoral Committee on Norms, New Universities/Colleges/Programmes deliberated this issue and recommended to form a National level committee to review the document and suggest necessary modification/correction in the document. After report of the committee the revised document may be published.
- Considering the above, the Board decided that Dr. A.R. Pathak (VC, JAU, Junagarh and Board Member) will prepare a note pertaining to the staff requirement and Dr. Premjit Singh (VC, CAU, Imphal and Board Member) will prepare a note for Region specific land requirement for various disciplines. These notes will be discussed in the next Board meeting or a national level committee, which may be held earlier in order to solve it.
- Dr. A. R. Pathak, Board Member and VC, JAU, Junagarh has offered his comments on the Minimum Requirements for establishment of agricultural colleges. However, the report submitted by the Member is only for agriculture college whereas, the recommendation of the Board was to cover all agricultural colleges for allied disciplines as well.
- The issue was deliberated in the Board and it was decided that the comments of Dr. Premjit Singh should also be obtained. Thereafter, for detailed discussion/deliberation,

the matter will be referred to Dr. Chahal Committee constituted for Revision of Model Act. Apart from the faculty and land requirement, the committee may also deliberate the possible increase in intake of students in Higher Agricultural Educational Institutions in relation to the existing facilities.

The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair from ADG (EQR).