

# ***WELCOME***

*Hon'ble Members of Legislative Assembly / Council &  
All the Dignitaries Present*

*For Discussion & Feedback on  
Maharashtra Public Universities Bill, 2016*

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# MAHARASHTRA PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES BILL 2016

## A SNAPSHOT

Higher & Technical Education Department,  
Govt. of Maharashtra



# VISION & PURPOSE

## Vision and Purpose for Maharashtra public University Bill, 2016

- Non – Agricultural Universities are finding it difficult to meet the requirements of the changed scenario in view of the advent of new technology and growing need of academic autonomy to compete with the global requirements in the sphere of higher education.
- There is also a need to create a pathway for transforming higher education into socio-economic development force strengthening and regulating higher education.
- To meet the challenges of the globalization, privatization and liberalization, Universities and Institutions of Higher learning are in need of an enhanced Act to meet the current demands.

# BACKGROUND

2010

- The process of framing of the new act began
- The Higher and Technical Education Department constituted 3 committees in this regard.
  - ✓ The Anil Kakodkar Committee – Appointed on 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug 2010, to suggest long term strategies to improve quality of Higher and professional education
  - ✓ The Arun Nigavekar Committee – Appointed on 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug 2010, to draft a new Act for governance and management of Public Universities in the State
  - ✓ The Ram Takwale Committee – Appointed on 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug 2010, to suggest ways and means for managing large affiliating Universities through sub-centers

2011

- The in-depth study was conducted by the Kakodkar, Nigavekar and Takwale committee and reports were submitted by the committees.
  - ✓ The Anil Kakodkar Committee submitted its report to Government on 26<sup>th</sup> Aug 2011
  - ✓ The Arun Nigavekar Committee submitted its report to Government on 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 2011
  - ✓ The Ram Takwale Committee submitted its report to Government on 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov 2011

# BACKGROUND

2012

- The review the suggestions given by Dr. Anil Kakodkar committee, Dr. Arun Nigavekar committee and Dr. Ram Takwale Committee and compile the reports the State Government appointed committee under Dr. Kumud Bansal Committee on 28<sup>th</sup> Jan 2012.
- The Committee under the chairmanship of Dr. Kumud Bansal submitted its report to the Government dated 29<sup>th</sup> May 2012

2015

- To bring the earlier committees views and recommendations in a legal language the State Government appointed a committee under retired Deputy Secretary of Law and Judiciary Department
- To obtain perspectives and opinions of various Stakeholders of higher education on the proposed Maharashtra Public University Act 2015, State Government appointed a Committee under Shri. Vinod Tawde, Minister Higher and Technical Education on 23<sup>rd</sup> Sept 2015
- The Committee under the chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Higher and Technical Education, Shri. Vinod Tawde, organized several brain storming workshops at all non-agricultural Universities in the State and invited expert opinions, perspectives and observations from various key stakeholders.
- Based on the suggestions and inputs, the committee proposed the final draft of the new Maharashtra Public Universities Act 2015.

# BACKGROUND

2015

- The Maharashtra Public University Bill was introduced in the winter session of the Assembly in Dec-2015, However discussion could not take place
- Meanwhile it was decided in the house itself that, a meeting of all party leaders in this regard to be conducted

2016

- Based on the discussion during the winter assembly session, Meeting to discuss the Maharashtra Public University Bill, 2015 was held at Sahyadri State Guest House under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Higher and Technical Education, Shri. Vinod Tawde on 21<sup>st</sup> Jan 2016
- The various valuable suggestions given by members during the meeting were incorporated and Maharashtra Public University bill, 2016 was drafted accordingly, also suggestions from various stake holders such as VCs, professors, Governing body members etc. were considered and incorporated
- Accordingly the Maharashtra Public University Bill, 2016 was presented in the budget session of assembly in Mar-2016
- Assembly unanimously decided to appoint a joint selection committee of 21 members from both the houses.

# SECTION WISE KEY CHANGES OVER MAHARASHTRA PUBLIC UNIVERSITY ACT, 1994

# OVERVIEW OF MAJOR CHANGES OVER 1994 ACT

## Section 2: Definitions

### ▪ New Definitions added

- “Cluster University” **Section 2 (10)**
- “Collegium of Heads of Department of Affiliated Colleges and recognized institutions” **Section 2 (14)**
- “Community College” **Section 2 (21)**
- “Empowered Autonomous College” **Section 2 (27)**
- “Empowered Autonomous Cluster Institutions” **Section 2 (28)**
- “Empowered Autonomous Skills Development College” **Section 2 (29)**
- “Skills Knowledge Provider” **Section 2 (52)**
- “Sub Campus” **Section 2 (59)**

## Section 3: Incorporation of Universities

### ▪ New Sub-section added making provision for cluster University - Section 3 (6)

“Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act, the State Government may, by notification in official Gazette, constitute a cluster university comprising a cluster of affiliated or autonomous colleges or institutions such Cluster university shall comprise of such university authorities and shall exercise such powers and performs such functions of university as may be specified in such notification. Provided that every such notification shall be laid as soon as may be, after it is issued, before each house of the state legislature.”

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## Section 4: Objects of University

### ▪ New Objects added that focuses on Inclusiveness

- **Section 4 (5):** promote the conducive environment for ensuring social harmony, co-existence, integral humanism and upliftment of the poorest of the poor ;
- **Section 4 (10):** devise motivational systems to ensure that individual cognitive abilities are not constrained but rather the innovative spirit and desire to make true contribution and realize self-achievement is nurtured ;
- **Section 4 (12):** promote national integration, fraternity and preserve cultural heritage and inculcate respect towards different religions and diverse cultures of India through the study of different religions, literature, history, science, art, civilizations and cultures ;

## Section 5: Powers and Duties of University

### ▪ New Duties added, for creating new type of institutions

- **Section 5 (4):** to make provisions for creation of autonomous, empowered autonomous and empowered autonomous cluster of institutions ;
- **Section 5 (5):** to develop procedures and processes for recognition of private skills education providers and empowered autonomous skills development colleges ;

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## Section 5: Powers and Duties of University

- **New Duties for appointment of staff**
  - **Section 5 (12):** to make appointments to the posts of directors, principals, university teachers, non-vacation academic staff, non-teaching skilled, administrative, ministerial staff and other posts sanctioned by the State Government as per the qualifications and experience specified by the State Government and the University Grants Commission ;
- **Fee fixation committee**
  - **Section 5 (32):** to constitute a fee fixation committee ;
- **Students Charter**
  - **Section 5 (45):** to prescribe and enforce students charter;
- **New duties added promoting research, innovation and IT intervention**
  - **Section 5 (68):** to create knowledge and disseminate it and foster high quality research which is contemporary, globally competitive and locally as well as regionally and nationally relevant;
  - **Section 5 (69):** to have a learner-centric approach and perform the role of being a knowledge creator;

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## Section 5: Powers and Duties of University

- **Section 5 (70):** to strengthen education at under-graduate, post-graduate level, enhance research and development culture and relevant degree programmes and cultivate desire for entrepreneurship;
- **Section 5 (71):** to create a comprehensive digital university framework for both, e-learning and e-administrative services;
- **Section 5 (72):** to exploit the power of 'learning by collaboration' and 'participation' with use of information and communication technology;
- **Section 5 (73):** to cultivate research parks, technology incubators and other engagement entities to translate university research to commercial domain and coordinated projects involving multiple faculty groups from several disciplines that address some important issues before the State;
- **Section 5 (76):** to ensure introduction of choice based credit system with transferable credit points from four streams, namely, the academic stream, the technology stream, the professional and social stream and the personality and cultural development stream;
- **Section 5 (78):** to establish centers or institutions in foreign countries with the permission of the Central and the State Government;
- **Section 5 (79):** to establish vocational or skills based community colleges in partnership with industry;

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## Section 8: Control of State Govt. on Universities

### ▪ Points added - Section 8 (3)

“The Code, having regard to the nature of affiliated colleges and institutions, such as aided or unaided, may contain different provisions in respect of teachers and other employees of such colleges and institutions.”

- **Section 8 (4):** Qualification and Experience for appointment of non-teaching employees will be specified by State Govt. by official Gazette
- **Section 8 (5):** State Govt. may appoint on deputation a suitable person to perform the duties of **Registrar, F & A officer, Director BOE** for not more than 1 year at a time and not more than 3 years in aggregate
- **Section 8 (6):** State Govt. through any officer not below the rank of JD, HE/TE shall have right to cause inspection of any affiliated / conducted / autonomous college or University Department.
- **Section 8 (8):** The State Govt. **shall** carry out test audit or full audit of the accounts of University, college, school etc.

# OVERVIEW OF MAJOR CHANGES OVER 1994 ACT

## Section 10: Other Officers of University

- **Following new statutory posts created**
  - The Director of Innovation, Incubation and Linkages, **Section 10 (8)**
  - The Director of Sports and Physical Education, **Section 10 (12)**
- **Positions renamed**
  - The Controller of Examinations renamed as “Director of Board of Examinations and Evaluation”
  - The Director of Students’ Welfare renamed as “Director of Students’ Development”
  - “Librarian” renamed as “Director, Knowledge Resource Centre”
  - The post of Director of College and University Development is **abolished**.

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## Section 11: Appointment of Vice - Chancellor

- **VC Appointment clause re-drafted as follows:**

- **Section 11 (1):** There shall be a Vice-Chancellor who shall be the principal academic and executive officer of the university and ex-officio **Chairperson of the Management Council, Academic Council, Board of Examinations and Evaluation, Board of Lifelong learning and Extension, Finance and Accounts committee, Board of National and International linkages and the Board of Innovation, Incubation and Enterprise, Board of Information and Technology, Board of Students Development, Board of Sports and Physical Education and Board of Research** and shall preside in the absence of the chancellor at any convocation for conferring degrees and also at any meeting of senate. His powers and duties shall be as provided in section 12.

- **Term of acting VC during emergency increased to twelve months**

- **Section 11 (8) (iv):** where there is any other emergency; - the Chancellor may appoint any suitable person, to act as the Vice- Chancellor for a term not exceeding **twelve** months, in the aggregate as may be specified in his order: Provided that, the person so appointed shall cease to hold such office on the date on which the person appointed as the Vice-Chancellor in accordance with the provisions of sub-sections (3) and (4) assumes office or the Vice-Chancellor resumes office

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## Section 12: Powers and Duties of Vice - Chancellor

- **New powers added (recognition of institutions)**
  - **Section 12 (13) (a):** accord recognition to institutions of higher learning, researcher specialized studies in accordance with the provisions of this Act; (**earlier with Academic Council**)
  - **Section 12 (13) (b):** accord recognition to autonomous colleges, empowered autonomous colleges or cluster of institutions and empowered skills development colleges in accordance with the provisions of this Act;
  - **Section 12 (13) (c):** accord recognition to private skills education providers in accordance with the provisions of this Act;
- **Recommendation of Administrative Board**
  - **Section 12 (15):** The Vice-Chancellor shall forward to the State Government report on the recommendation of the Management Council, regarding appointment of an Administrative Board to take over, in the public interest, the management of an affiliated college, institution or autonomous college or empowered autonomous college or cluster of institutions in case of dispute regarding the management of the affiliated college and where irregularities or commissions or omissions of criminal nature by the management of such college or institution or mismanagement of such college or institutions are, *prima-facie*, evident to committee of inquiry appointed by the university and run the management of such college till the dispute is statutorily resolved. The decision of the State Government in this behalf shall be final and binding.

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## Section 13: Pro Vice - Chancellor

- **The post of Pro Vice – Chancellor has been made compulsory for all Universities**
  - **Section 13 (3):** The Pro-Vice-Chancellor shall be the Chairperson of the Board of Deans, Board of sub-campuses, Board of University Departments and Interdisciplinary studies, Board of Post Graduate Education in Colleges and an ex-officio chairperson of the research and Recognition Committee.
- **Increase in term for pro-VC**
  - **Section 13 (7):** The term of Pro-Vice-Chancellor shall be co-terminus with the term of office of the Vice-Chancellor or till he attains the age of **sixty-five years**, whichever is earlier.
- **Removal of Pro-VC added**
  - **Section 13 (12):** The Pro-Vice-Chancellor may be removed from his office by Chancellor on the recommendation of the Vice-Chancellor, if he is satisfied that the incumbent ....

## Section 15: Dean of Faculty

- **Appointment of Dean by VC (elected by members of faculty as per 1994 Act)**
  - **Section 15 (2):** The Dean shall be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendations of the selection committee for the purpose under this Act.

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## Section 15: Dean of Faculty

- **Section 15 (3):** The term of Dean shall be co-terminus with the term of the office of Vice - Chancellor or till he attains the age of superannuation whichever is earlier provided that the new Vice -Chancellor may continue his services as a Dean till the new dean is duly appointed and further provided that in case vacancy occurs in the office of Vice-Chancellor because of death, resignation or otherwise, the dean shall continue to hold the post till the end of that academic year.
- **Section 15 (5):** Vice Chancellor shall nominate Associate Dean for the particular group of related board of studies, as may be required, for assistance, support and co-ordination and the minimum qualifications and experience for such nomination shall be at par with the post of Dean. (Salary to be paid from University fund)

## Section 18: Finance and Accounts Officer

### ▪ **Change in terms and conditions for appointment**

- **Section 18 (4):** The appointment of the Finance and Accounts Officer shall be for a term of five years or superannuation, whichever is earlier, and he shall not be eligible for re-appointment in that university. (As per 1994 Act: Finance and Accounts Officer shall be for a term of five years if appointed by nomination and he shall be eligible for re-appointment for only one more term of five years)

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## Section 26: Authorities of university

- **Addition of New Boards**
  - 1) the Board of Sub-Campuses of the university;
  - 2) The Board of Deans
  - 3) the Board of Post-Graduate Education in Colleges;
  - 4) the Board of Information Technology;
  - 5) the Board of National and International Linkages;
  - 6) the Board for Innovation, Incubation and Enterprise;
  - 7) the Board of Sports and Physical Education;
  - 8) the Board of Research;
- “Board of Examination” changed to **“the Board of Examinations and Evaluation”**
- “Board of inter-disciplinary studies” changed to **“Board of University Depts. & Inter-disciplinary studies”**
- “Board of adult and continuing education and extension services” changed to **“the Board of Lifelong Learning and Extension”**
- “The students council” changed to **“the Board of Students’ Development”**
- **Deleted** “Board of College and University Development”

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## Section 65: Ineligibility for second consecutive term

### ▪ **Change in clause – Section 65**

No person shall be a member of Management Council, for a second consecutive term whether, as an elected, nominated or co-opted member, as the case may be.

### **As per Section 45 of Maharashtra Public University Act 1994**

No person shall be a member of the Management Council, the Academic Council or the Board of Examinations for a second consecutive term whether, as an elected, nominated, appointed or co-opted member as the case may be.

## Section 72: Statutes how made

### ▪ **A new provision for constitution of the Statutes Committee is made**

**Section 72 (2):** The Statute Committee shall be constituted by Management Council as under :—

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| (a) One member of Management Council as Chairman, | (d) One Principal of affiliated college,               |
| (b) One Dean, or affiliated colleges,             | (e) Registrar of the university,                       |
| (c) One Professor of university department        | (f) Law Officer of the university as Member-Secretary. |

Such Statute Committee shall prepare and propose draft Statutes concerning the matters referred to in the last preceding section and shall present to the Management Council for its recommendations to senate.

**The subject matters of Statute committee are extensively drafted**

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## Section 73: Ordinances and their Subject matters

- **Subject matters added to the section to ensure smooth and disciplined functioning of University**
- **New subjects matters are as under**
  - **Section 73 (2):** Norms and process of fixation of fees other fees and charges for courses and programs to be adopted by fee fixation committee under this act
  - **Section 73 (9):** Mechanism for prevention of Ragging of Students of University and affiliated colleges
  - **Section 73 (10):** Mechanism for prevention of Sexual Harassment of Teachers, Employees, Students of University and affiliated colleges and redressal of grievances relating to sexual harassment incidences and penalty for those who indulged in the sexual harassment.

## Section 76: MAHED

(Maharashtra State  
Commission for Higher  
Education &  
Development)

- **Maharashtra State council for Higher Education renamed to “Maharashtra State Commission for Higher Education and Development (MAHED)”**
  - The Commission shall be the planning, monitoring, co-coordinating and evaluating authority and shall act as a think-tank for higher education. Various duties to this effect have been added in the proposed Act
  - To carry out the functions and duties of MAHED, a Board of Management, CEO and Secretariat have been added

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## Section 76:

### MAHED

(Maharashtra State  
Commission for Higher  
Education &  
Development)

#### ■ Composition of MAHED

- the Chief Minister (Chairperson)
- the Minister for Higher and Technical Education (Vice-Chairperson)
- the Minister of Finance
- the Minister of State for Higher and Technical Education
- one leader of opposition
- one MLA, nominated by the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly
- one MLC, nominated by the Chairperson of the Legislative Council
- Chancellor nominees:
  - two Eminent Industrialists
  - one eminent professional from the domain of finance/ commerce/ education/ law and judiciary, having experience of creation of education linkages with real life situations
  - two Scientists or Technocrats or Social Leaders for their eminence in Techno social Development work
  - one educationist having experience in education reforms
  - two Vice Chancellors of the Public and Private Universities in the State
  - two Principals for their contributions in linking of education with social development
- two senior eminent teachers from universities or colleges with the minimum Teaching and Research experience of fifteen years
- the Secretaries of Higher and Technical Education Department, Medical Education and Drugs Department, Planning Department, Finance Department
- the Directors of Technical Education and Higher Education
- the Chief Executive Officer of the MAHED      Member-Secretary

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## Section 78: Maharashtra State Rashtriya Uchchatar Shiksha Abhiyan

### ▪ RUSA provision added

- **Section 78 (1):** There shall be a Council to be called as the Maharashtra State *Rashtriya Uchhatrar Shiksha Abhiyan* Council (hereinafter referred to as “RUSA”).
- **Section 78 (2):** The Council under sub-section (1) shall be a body corporate, having perpetual succession and a common Seal and may by the name sue or be sued.
- **Section 78 (3):** The State Government may, by notification in the *Official Gazette* specify the composition, functions and responsibilities of the council under sub-section (1), Which shall be in conformity with the guidelines of RUSA of the Government of India :  
Provided that, every such notification shall be laid as soon as may be, after it is issued, before each House of the State Legislature.

## Section 79: Grievances Committee

- The Composition of the Grievances Committee is changed. It will be headed by the retired Judge not below the rank of the District Judge.
  - **Section 79 (3):** Grievances Committee shall consist of the following members, namely :—
    - (a) retired Judge not below the rank of the District Judge,
    - (b) one Dean, nominated by the Vice-Chancellor
    - (c) Chancellor’s nominee on the Management Council
    - (d) Registrar of the university,
    - (e) Law Officer of the University – Member-Secretary

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## Section 80: University and college tribunal

- **The Jurisdiction of the Tribunal is widened**

- **Section 80 (1):** There shall be one or more university and college tribunals for one or more universities in the State, governed by this Act as well as the Maharashtra Agricultural Universities (*Krishi Vidyapeeths*) Act, 1983, the Maharashtra Animal and Fishery Sciences University Act, 1998 and the Maharashtra University of Health Sciences Act, 1998, for adjudication of disputes between the employees of these universities and their respective university and between the employees of the affiliated or autonomous colleges or recognized institutions of these universities, other than those managed and maintained by the State Government, Central Government or local authority and their respective managements, with regard to the matters specified in sub-section (1) of section 81.

## Section 81: Right of appeal

- **Tribunal shall be the appellate authority for decisions of the Grievances Committee**

- **Section 81 (1):** Notwithstanding anything contained in any law or contract for the time being in force, any teacher or other employee in the university governed by this Act or in affiliated college or recognized institution of any of these universities, other than that managed and maintained by the State Government, Central Government or a local authority, who is-

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## Section 81: Right of appeal

(a) dismissed or removed or whose services are otherwise terminated or who is compulsorily retired or who is reduced in rank by the university or management and who is aggrieved; or  
(b) aggrieved by the decision of the Grievances Committee established under this Act;  
shall have a right of appeal and any appeal against any such order or decision shall lie to the Tribunal:

## Section 102: Student Council

### ▪ Student Council elections

- **Section 102 (11):** The procedure for election, the powers and duties, authority for the conduct of election, mechanism for conduct of such elections, code of conduct for the candidates and election administrators and grievances redressal mechanism in respect of such election shall be such as may be specified by the State Government, by orders published in the *Official Gazette*, from time to time

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## *Section 112: Procedure for permission for opening new college or new course, subject, faculty, division*

- **New section giving more clarity on permission for opening new college or new course, subject, faculty, division**
    - **Section 112 (16):** Notwithstanding anything contained in this Act or any other law for the time being in force,—
      - a) no management shall establish or open a new college or an institution of higher learning in the State, except with the prior permission of the State Government;
      - b) no management shall start a new course of study, subject, faculty or additional division, except with the prior permission of the State Government.
- This includes establishing or opening of such college or institution of higher learning, and starting of any such course of study, subject or faculty or additional division, on the basis of no grant in aid from the State Government also.

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## Section 121: Shifting of college location

- **New section added making provision for shifting of college location**
  - **Section 121(1):** If a college is being shifted from one location to another, permission shall be granted by the university after the concurrence of the State Government, provided that,-
    - a) such shifting of location does not result in disturbing the educational development of the location from where the college is being shifted;
    - b) such shifting of location does not adversely affect the perspective plan of the university; and
    - c) the infrastructure and other facilities in the new location are adequate as per the prescribed norms.
  - **Section 121(2):** If the college is being shifted from an urban to rural area, permission shall be granted by the university after the concurrence of the State Government : Provided that, the provisions of clauses (a) to (c) of sub-section (1) are not violated.
  - **Section 121(3):** If the college is being shifted from one location to another in the same Municipal area, permission shall be granted by the university :
  - **Section 121(4):** If the college is being shifted from one location to another for reason of natural calamity, permission shall be granted by the university :

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## *Section 122: Transfer of Management*

- **New Provision for transfer of management included**

- **Section 122:** The Management Council of the university shall consider the proposals for transfer of management of colleges and institutions, as prescribed in the Statutes subject to the permission of the State Government.

## *Section 126: Empowered autonomous college*

- **New provision included**

- **Section 126(1):** Affiliated autonomous colleges that are identified by University Grants Commission as colleges with Potential for Excellence or College of Excellence or having 'A' grade with Cumulative Grade Point Average 3.0 or above, may apply to the university for grant of empowered autonomous status. The Management Council on the recommendation of the Academic Council may confer the empowered autonomous status upon such college.

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## *Section 127: Empowered autonomous cluster*

- **New Provision included**

- **Section 127(1):** A group of affiliated autonomous colleges or recognized institutions of the same management or educational society which includes the colleges or institutions, identified by the University Grants Commission as colleges with Potential for Excellence or College of Excellence or having 'A' grade with Cumulative Grade Point Average 3.0 or above, may apply to the university for grant of status of empowered autonomous cluster institutions. The Management Council on the recommendation of the Academic Council may confer the status of empowered autonomous cluster institutions upon such group of colleges or institutions.

# COMPOSITION OF SENATE, MANAGEMENT COUNCIL, ACADEMIC COUNCIL AND BOARD OF STUDIES

# SENATE COMPOSITION

1994 Act.				Proposed Act		
Category	Ex-officio	Nominated	Elected	Ex-officio	Nominated	Elected
Principals			18			10
Teachers		3	25			10+3
Management			8			4
Non Teaching		2			2	
Graduates			10			10
HoD						
V C, Pro. V.C.	2			2		
Deans	9			4		
Univ. Officers, DHE,DTE	9			8 + 2		
Student Council	2			2		
Director (sub campuses)				As per Uni		
Chancellor's Nominees		10			10	
Peoples' Reps		6			5	
Sub Total	22	21	61	18+ as per Uni	17	37
Total	104			72+ As per University		

# MANAGEMENT COUNCIL COMPOSITION

1994 Act.				Proposed Act		
Category	Ex-officio	Nominated	Elected	Ex-officio	Nominated	Elected
Principals			2			2
Teachers			6 (3 Senate 3 from AC)			2
Management			2			1
Graduates			1			2
Academic Council						2
V C, Pro VC	2			2		
Deans			1		2	
Univ. Officers	1+ 2 invitees			1+2 invitees		
President Student Council				1 (Invitee)		
Chancellor's Nominees		1			1	
Eminent expert from Inst. of Natl Repute					1	
Head, University Department/Institute		1			1	
Govt. Reps	3			3		
Sub Total -	8	2	12	9	5	9
Total	22			23		

# ACADEMIC COUNCIL COMPOSITION

	1994 Act.			Proposed Act		
Category	Ex-officio	Nominated	Elected	Ex-officio	Nominated	Elected
Principals		1	8		8	
Professors		1			2	
Teachers		9 (faculty wise co-option)				8 (2 from each faculty)
Management			2			1 (from Senate)
V C, Pro. V.C.	2			2		
Deans	9			4		
Directors of Sub-Campuses				As per uni		
Asso. Deans (if any)				As per uni		
Univ. Officers	2	1		3		
Chancellor's Nominees – Experts		2			8	
Head of Recognized Institution					1	
DHE, DTE, State Board	3			2		
Chairman, BOS –	40 (appx)			40(appx)		
Sub Total -	56	14	10	51	19	9
Total	80			79 + Invitees as required		

# BOARD OF STUDIES COMPOSITION

	1994 Act.			Proposed Act		
Category	Ex-officio	Nominated	Elected	Ex-officio	Nominated	Elected
Head, University Department	1			1		
Heads from affiliated colleges						3
Teachers from University Departments			6		1	
Teacher from Affiliated Colleges		2			3	
Teachers from PG Centers / Recognized Institutions					2	
Professors from other Universities					1	
Experts		2			4	
Scholar Students (Top Ranker)					2	
Total -	1	4	6	1	13	3
Total	11			17		

# FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS OF NEW ACT

## Financial liabilities due to creation of new posts:

- Pro VC appointment is compulsory in all universities. However most of the Universities already have this as an approved post
- Deans post made full time and regular
- Creation of the new post of Director, Innovation, Incubation and Linkages will be offset by deletion of the post of Director, BCU

## Establishment of the Maharashtra State Commission for Higher Education and Development

- Creation of the post of CEO, **Commission**
- Secretariat Staff for the Commission
- Office space

# CARDINAL PRINCIPALS OF NEW ACT

- *Student Centric Orientation*
- *Mobility to Students at National / Global level*
- *Involvement of students in decision making*
- *No compromise on Quality Issues- use of quality benchmarks as important criteria*
- *Balanced composition of democratic elections and nominations*
- *Appropriate representation of related stake holders in functionally important authorities.*
- *Avoiding over concentration of Power of particular stake holder*
- *Proper representation of State Government at proper place*
- *Sharing of experience and innovative ideas*
- *Qualitative research with local relevance*
- *Integration of ICT Techniques in Academic and administrative functions*
- *Progressive strengthening of concept of autonomy*

# CARDINAL PRINCIPALS OF NEW ACT

- *Duty bound participation of Teaching and non Teaching Staff in the process of examination*
- *Structured mechanism with defined accountability leading to effective Governance.*
- *Common Statutes*
- *Prompt and effective grievance redressal*
- *Prevention of malpractices and profiteering*
- *Independent Policy making Authority – Maharashtra State Commission for Higher Education and Development*

# NEED TO EXPEDITE THE PROCESS

In the monsoon session of Assembly in July-2015, Maharashtra Universities (Temporary postponement of elections of members of university authorities and other bodies) Act, 2015 was passed, posts of the various authorities are lying vacant for one year i.e up to 31<sup>st</sup> Aug 2016, hence the process of enactment of Act is completed in the coming assembly session, the vacant posts could be filled and this in turn would help in smooth functioning of the Universities

# THANK YOU