

Before H. P. Private Educational Institutions Regulatory Commission,  
Shimla -171009.

File Called 18.05.2023

Date of Decision: 18.05.2023

In the matter of:

APG

Orders

The Commission has sought information from the respondent with regard to appointment of Vice Chancellor and the matter was called up for hearing. During hearing Registrar of the University was present and submitted the details of Vice Chancellors. The details of Vice Chancellor provided by the Registrar are as follow :-

Sr.No.	Name	Tenure
1	Dr. Ramesh Kumar Choudhary	13.08.2019 to 06.02.2021
2	Dr Ramesh Chauhan	06.02.2021 till 11.10.2021 (In-Charge)
3	Dr. D.D. Arora	11.10.2021 till 04.01.2022
4	Dr. Ramesh Chauhan	04.01.2022 till 01.03.2023 (In-Charge)
5	Dr. Rajinder Singh Chauhan	01.03.2023 till date

On perusal of details of Vice Chancellors submitted by the Registrar, it has been found that after 06.02.2021 till 01.03.2023 the respondent University had no regular Vice Chancellor, however only for the period of three months Dr .D.D. Arora was appointed as Vice Chancellor w.e.f. 11.10.2021 till 04.01.2022.

As per first statute of respondent University the Vice Chancellor shall exercise control over the affairs of the University and shall give effect to the decisions of all the authorities' letter and spirit and shall have power to maintain the proper discipline in the University.

As per **section 5** of the first statute of the respond University, the Vice Chancellor shall be a whole time salaried officer and in case the office of Vice Chancellor falls vacant due to resignation or otherwise, the Chancellor may appoint any officer of his choice who shall perform the duties of the Vice Chancellor, until the vacancy is filled up on regular basis. **It has been further provided in the above mentioned section that such interim arrangement shall not exceed a period of one year from the date on which such arrangement is made.**

**Observations:**

- The Commission hereby observes that Vice Chancellor plays very important role in management of any institution and for providing quality education to the

students. Non- appointment of Vice Chancellor for a long period is clear violations of norms and rules laid down in the first statute of the respondent University and temporary arrangement of Vice Chancellor by appointing Dr Ramesh Chauhan ( a faculty in the department of J6(w, rA(13M), as officiating Vice Chancellor for continuous period of one year and two months, which created shortage of one faculty in the University, as he was also engaged in the work of Vice Chancellor and affected the interest of the students.

• **In view of the observations made hereinabove, the Commission hereby issue the following directions: -**

- As per first statute of the respondent University the permissible period for temporary arrangement is one year. The officiating Vice Chancellor continued for more two months which led shortage of one faculty, the penalty of **Rs 40,000/- (Forty Thousand Only)** under section 11 of HPPERCA Act, 2010 r/w rule 6 (d ) of HPPERCA rule 2011, is hereby imposed on the respondent University.
- The Commission hereby warns the respondent Institute to strictly follow the norms and rules of the statute and should ensure that there must not be any shortage of faculty by making such kind of temporary arrangements.
- Matter stands adjudicated, representations/applications, if any, in this matter also stands disposed off.

File after completion be consigned to record room.

Announced.

(Major G

Kaushik)  
Chairman

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Member