

ALL INDIA COUNCIL FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION**NOTIFICATION**

New Delhi, the 22nd March, 2021

F. No. 1-103/AICTE/PGRC/Regulation/2021.—In exercise of the power conferred under clause (1) of Section 23 of the All India Council for Technical Education, Act, 1987 (52 of 1987), the All India Council for Technical Education makes the following Regulations, namely:

1. SHORT TITLE, APPLICATION AND COMMENCEMENT:

- a. These Regulations shall be called as the **All India Council for Technical Education (Redressal of Grievance of Faculty/Staff Member) Regulations, 2021.**
- b. They shall apply to all Technical Institutions recognized or approved by the All India Council for Technical Education as per Section 10(k) of the All India Council for Technical Education Act, 1987.
- 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 Faculty/Staff Members already appointed in any institution, as well as those seeking appointment to such institutions, and a mechanism thereto.

3. DEFINITION: IN THESE REGULATIONS, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE REQUIRES:

- (a) "Act" means the All India Council for Technical Education Act, 1987;
- (b) "Council" means the All India Council for Technical Education
- (c) "UGC" means University Grants Commission
- (d) "University" means a university established or incorporated by or under a Central Act or State Act and includes an institution deemed to be university declared as such under section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.
- (e) "State" means a State specified in the First Schedule to the Constitution of India and includes a Union territory;
- (f) "Technical Education" means programs of education as defined under section 2(g) of the All India Council for Technical Education, Act, 1987;
- (g) "Technical Institution" means an Institution as defined under section 2(h) of the All India Council for Technical Education, Act, 1987;
- (h) "aggrieved Faculty/Staff Member" means a Faculty & Staff Member, who has any complaint in the matters relating to or connected with the grievances defined under these Regulations.
- (i) "Grievance" means and includes, complaint(s) made by an aggrieved Faculty/Staff Member(s) in respect of the following service related matters namely:
 - i. withholding of, or refusal to return, any document in the form of certificates of degree, diploma, experience certificate, relieving order or any other award or other document deposited for the purpose of seeking appointment in such institution;
 - ii. non-payment of salaries/wages and/or benefits or any other allowances or dues etc. during services or retirement/resignation, as the case may be;
 - iii. Discrepancies between their wages and/or benefits and other members of staff in similar roles/post/experience.
 - iv. termination without giving any reason or notice or memorandum;
 - v. non-payment of gratuity amount as per prevailing Govt. rules in force on resignation/retirement; and

vi. any other liability which is directly connected with their service and causing financial loss or any harm or trauma.

(j) "Grievance Redressal Committee" means a Committee constituted under these Regulations;

4. GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL COMMITTEE (GRC):

- (i) It is mandatory for all Technical Institutions to address the grievance of faculty/staff members including service matters at the Institution level itself. A Grievance Redressal Committee (GRC) for faculty/staff members shall be constituted by each Institution to look into the grievance of the faculty/staff members. The composition of the GRC shall be as follows:
- a. Principal of the Institution as Chairperson
 - b. One Senior Professor of the affiliating University as a Member,
 - c. One Official from University or State DTE (Directorate of Technical Education) (to be nominated by DTE/University Vice Chancellor) as Member,
 - d. One Senior Faculty (not below Associate Professor) as Member.
- (ii) A complaint from an aggrieved faculty/staff member relating to the institution shall be addressed to the Chairperson, Grievance Redressal Committee (GRC).
- (iii) The GRC shall send its report with recommendations, if any, to the concerned DTE or University and a copy thereof to the aggrieved faculty/staff member, within a period of 15 days from the date of receipt of the complaint.
- (iv) In case faculty/staff is not satisfied with the decision of Grievance Redressal Committee, they may appeal to the concerned affiliating University/State DTE (in case of diploma institutes) for redressal of their grievances.

5. The University level or DTE level Grievance Redressal Cell established by the University or DTE shall address such grievances and settle the matter at State/University level.

6. INFORMATION REGARDING GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL COMMITTEE:

An institution shall furnish, prominently, on its website, all relevant information in respect of the Grievance Redressal Committee(s) coming in its purview.

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