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NOTIFICATION

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The Vice Chancellor is pleased to constitute the Equal Opportunity Cell with following members as its Advisory Committee.

Composition

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The Aims, Objects and Functions of the Equal Opportunity Cell are attached herewith.

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EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CELL

1. **Introduction:** The Indian society is characterised by social divisions and these inequalities are barriers to access to educational resources to the disadvantaged sections of the society. The disadvantaged sections of the society include Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, other Backward Classes, Women, Minorities and differently abled persons. The recent status in the field of demography shows that still a large population of our country is disadvantaged and marginalised in the field of social and economic equality. It is imperative that all the citizens of this country should have equal access to quality education. The UGC has strongly urged upon the Universities / Colleges to set up Equal Opportunity Centre (EOC) to monitor schemes meant of securing social justice and equality.
2. **Aims & Objects:** To oversee the effective implementation of policies and programmes for disadvantaged groups, to provide guidance and counselling with respect to academic, financial, social and other matters and to enhance the diversity within the campus.
3. **Functions:**
 - i. To ensure equity and equal opportunity to the community at large and bring about social inclusion.
 - ii. To enhance the diversity among the students, teaching and non-teaching staff population and at the same time eliminate the perception of discrimination.
 - iii. To create a socially congenial atmosphere for academic interaction and for the growth of healthy interpersonal relationships among the students coming from various social backgrounds.
 - iv. To make efforts to sensitize the academic community regarding the problems associated with social exclusion as well as aspirations of the marginalized communities.

- v. To help individuals or a group of students belonging to the disadvantaged section of society to contain the problems related to discrimination.
- vi. To look into the grievances of the weaker section of society and suggest amicable solution to their problems.
- vii. To disseminate the information related to schemes and programmes for the welfare of the socially weaker section as well as notifications / memoranda, office orders of the Government, or other related agencies / organizations issued from time to time.
- viii. To prepare barrier free formalities/procedures for admission / registration of students belonging to the disadvantaged groups of society.
- ix. To establish coordination with the Government and other agencies / organizations to mobilize academic and financial resources to provide assistance to students of the disadvantaged groups.
- x. To organize periodic meetings to monitor the progress of different schemes.
- xi. To adopt measures to ensure due share of utilization by SC / ST in admissions, recruitments (teaching and non-teaching posts) and to improve their performances.
- xii. To sensitize the community on the problems of SC / ST and other disadvantaged groups.