

SC- 15 (Effective from 26th July, 2013) Statute relating to Autonomous Colleges (under section 5(10) and 22 (r) of the Goa University Act, 1984).

SC- 15.1.1 **Introduction**

The role of University in the affiliating system of colleges is to oversee the working of the colleges, act as an examining body and award degrees. Autonomy to colleges provides academic freedom to design their own programmes, courses, methods of instruction and evaluation system. Autonomy may be granted to those colleges with adequate potential.

SC- 15.1.2 **Objectives of Autonomy**

a. The National Policy on Education (1986-92) formulated the following objectives for autonomous colleges. An autonomous college will have the freedom to:

- Determine and prescribe its own courses of study and syllabi, and restructure and redesign the courses to suit local needs; and
- Prescribe rules for admission in consonance with the reservation policy of the state government;
- Evolve methods of assessment of students' performance, conduct of examinations and notification of results;
- Use modern tools of educational technology to achieve higher standards and greater creativity; and
- Promote healthy practices such as community service, extension activities, projects for the benefit of the society at large, neighborhood programmes, etc.

b. Relationship with the parent university, the state government and other educational institutions:

Autonomous colleges are free to make use of the expertise of university departments and other institutions to frame their curricula, devise methods of teaching, examination and evaluation. They can recruit their teachers according to the existing procedures laid down by the UGC/University from time to time (for private and government colleges).

The parent university will accept the methodologies of teaching, examination, evaluation and the course curriculum of its autonomous colleges. It will also help the colleges to develop their academic programmes, improve the faculty and to provide necessary guidance by participating in the deliberations of the different bodies of the colleges.

The role of the parent university will be:

- To bring more autonomous colleges under its fold;
- To promote academic freedom in autonomous colleges by encouraging introduction of innovative academic programmes;
- To facilitate new courses of study, subject to the required minimum number of hours of instruction, content and standards;
- To permit them to issue their own provisional, migration and other certificates;
- To do everything possible to foster the spirit of autonomy;
- To ensure that degrees/diplomas/certificates issued indicate the name of the college;
- To depute various nominees of the university to serve in various committees of the autonomous colleges and get the feedback on their functioning; and
- To create separate wings wherever necessary to facilitate the smooth working of the autonomous colleges.

The state government will assist the autonomous colleges by:

- Avoiding, as far as possible, transfer of teachers, especially in colleges where academic innovation and reforms are in progress, except for need-based transfers;
- Conveying its concurrence for the extension of autonomy of any college to the Commission within the stipulated time of 90 days after receipt of the review committee report, failing which it will be considered that the state government has no objection to the college continuing to be autonomous; and
- Deputing nominees on time to the governing body of government colleges and other bodies wherever their nominees are to be included.
- All three stake holders, the parent University, the State Govt. and UGC have to play a very harmonious and proactive role as facilitators in letter and spirit.

c. Conferring autonomous status:

Autonomy granted to the Institution is Institutional and covers all the courses at U.G., P.G., Diploma, M.Phil. level, which are being run by the Institution at the time of conferment of autonomous status. Also all courses introduced by the Institution after the conferment of autonomous status shall automatically come under the purview of autonomy. Partial autonomy cannot be given to any Institution.

Autonomous status covers certificate, diploma, undergraduate, postgraduate and M. Phil. programmes offered in colleges that are autonomous and those seeking autonomous status. The parent university will confer the status of autonomy upon a college that is permanently affiliated, with the concurrence of the state government and the University Grants Commission. Once the autonomy is granted, the University shall accept the students of autonomous college for award of such degrees as are recommended by the autonomous college. The Act and Statutes of the universities ought to be amended to provide for the grant of autonomy to affiliated colleges. Before granting autonomy, the university will ensure that the management structure of the applicant college is adequately participatory and provides ample opportunities for academicians to make a creative contribution.

SC- 15.2 Colleges which are covered under Section 2(f), and 12(B) of the UGC Act and accredited by National Assessment and Accreditation Council are eligible to apply for autonomous status.

SC- 15.3 The College desirous of having autonomous status shall apply to the Registrar of Goa University, in the prescribed form, along with fees as may be prescribed by the University, from time to time.

SC- 15.4 The Vice-Chancellor of Goa University shall constitute a Scrutiny Committee to scrutinize the applications received. The Committee shall include:

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| 1) One member of the Executive Council | Chairman |
| 2) One member of the Academic Council | Member |
| 3) Director of Higher Education | Member |
| 4) Chairman of the Principals' Forum | Member |
| 5) President of University and College Teachers' Association | Member |

The report of the Scrutiny Committee shall be placed before the Academic Council for its consideration. After careful consideration of the report, the Academic Council shall recommend the cases of such Colleges to the Executive Council for its consideration and final decision.

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The Scrutiny Committee shall inter alia, apply the following criteria in examining the application and in making its report thereon:

- (a) Whether the College provides adequate facilities for the pursuit of excellence and academically suitable climate of scholarship.*
- (b) Whether it has the reputation of having high standards and has consistent good record of performance of students at the University examinations, for the preceding five years.*
- (c) Whether the faculty members have attained reputation, in terms of good academic qualifications, performance in teaching, research, research publications and extension activities.*
- (d) Whether it admits students on the basis of merit.*
- (e) Whether it has an academically viable and administratively feasible student population.*
- (f) Whether the reservation of seats for the students, belonging to the reserved categories, is as per the norms prescribed by the Government.*
- (g) Whether it has adequate physical facilities in the form of buildings, library, laboratories, equipments, gymkhana, play ground etc. of its own.*
- (h) Whether it provides the administrative set up and the pattern of governance involving the faculty, which is conducive to academic innovation and development.*
- (i) Whether the College has made sufficient provision of financial resources so as to enable it to meet its responsibilities as an Autonomous College over and above the salary and non salary grants receivable from the Govt. of Goa as per the grant-in-aid scheme and grants receivable from University Grants Commission, and whether it has continuous access to financial resources to provide for further development.*
- (j) Whether the preparation for the autonomy in respect of staff, departments and the management has been adequately made as visualized in the UGC guidelines on autonomous colleges.*
- (k) Such other matters as may be deemed necessary for meeting the aims and objectives of an autonomous institution.*

SC-15.6.1 (a) *Once the application is rejected by the University, the reasons thereof shall be communicated to the applicant.*

SC-15.6.1 (b) *Once the application is rejected, the University shall ordinarily not entertain fresh application of the said College before the expiry of two years from the date of rejection of such application.*

SC-15.6.2 (a) *The Registrar shall send the proposal along with the application, and resolution of the Executive Council and all the relevant documents to the University Grants Commission, for its approval.*

SC-15.6.2 (b) On receipt of approval of the University Grants Commission, the Registrar shall notify and communicate that the autonomous status is conferred on the College subject to conditions, if any. The autonomous status shall be conferred to the institution as a whole and shall be introduced in a phased manner and be effective from the beginning of an academic year as specified by the University in the Notification.

First Year of autonomy : First Year of a Program/One Year Programs.

Second year of autonomy : First Year and Second Year of a Program /Two year Programs.

Third Year of autonomy : First Year, Second Year and Third Year of a Program/Three year Programs.

Fourth Year of autonomy : First Year, Second Year, Third Year and Fourth Year/Four year Programs.

Fifth Year of autonomy : First Year, Second Year, Third Year, Fourth Year and Fifth Year / Five year Programs.

SC-15.7 The Autonomous College so notified by the University shall be entitled to receive salary, non-salary and other grants from the State Government from time to time as applicable to the aided colleges in the State.

SC-15.8 Procedure for Monitoring/Evaluation and release of grant:

The right of autonomy may not be conferred once and for all. It has to be continuously earned by the college. The status of autonomy shall be granted initially for a period of six years.

SC-15.8.1 Each autonomous college shall with the approval of its Academic Council, formulate an appropriate mechanism to evaluate its academic performance, improvement of standards, and assess the extent and degree of success in the utilisation of autonomy. Self-evaluation shall be made annually. In addition, there shall be two external evaluations, the first after four years and the second after six years. The latter shall determine the continuance or revocation of autonomous status.

SC-15.8.2 (a) Autonomous College shall evolve the mechanism for annual self-evaluation by an internal evaluation committee. The detailed procedure such as the constitution of the Committee, terms of reference of the Committee etc. shall be decided by the Academic Council of the concerned autonomous institution.

(b) The report of the self-evaluation Committee shall be placed before the Governing Body for further action.

SC-15.9 The Autonomous College shall-

a) frame, determine and prescribe its own courses of studies and syllabi for the course(s), subject(s) for which autonomy is granted.

b) admit the students to the professional courses as per the Government rules from time to time.

c) impart instruction and training, using modern methods.

d) conduct tests and examinations using innovative methods for award of the degrees on behalf of the University and diplomas and certificates of its own.

e) subject to prior permission of the Government and/ or the University, create posts of teachers, non-vacational academic staff and non-teaching employees and appoint suitable persons as per the provision of Statutes and Govt. rules as the case may be.

f) appoint the panel of paper-setters, examiners, moderators and invigilators on the recommendations of the Examination Committee.

g) declare the dates of examinations and their results, as per the recommendations of the College Examination Committee.

h) collaborate with other national and international institutions, agencies, industries and similar organizations in the teaching, research, extension programmes, production of teaching material and institute awards, medals, scholarships and freeships.

i) perform such other duties and responsibilities as may be necessary to fulfill the obligations of autonomous status.

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1. Institution shall have the powers to make, amend or repeal its own rules and regulations on matters of academics, admissions, examinations, administration, financial procedures, etc., within the framework of these Statutes.

2. The rules and regulations shall be made, amended or repealed subject to the prior approval of the Governing Body and shall come into effect from the date of its approval.

3. The University may recommend certain matter(s) to the Autonomous College for making necessary rules or regulations.

4. The autonomous college shall notify the rules and regulations so framed or the change(s)/ amendment(s) and repeals and communicate the same to all concerned from time to time.

5. If any question arises regarding interpretation of provision of any rules or regulations, the matter may be referred to the Vice-Chancellor who shall, after taking such advice as he thinks necessary, decide the question and his decisions shall be final.

SC-15.11

1. The autonomous college shall not ordinarily create any additional direct or indirect financial liability on the part of Government without its prior permission.

Provided that no autonomous college shall create any new teaching non-teaching positions without the prior permission of the University or the State Govt. as the case may be.

2. The autonomous college shall not exercise powers so as to result in rendering any of its existing staff surplus, either by reducing the intake capacity or closing the existing subject(s) or course(s).

3. However, in case due to shift to an autonomous status involving structural changes introduced by the autonomous college, some teaching and non-teaching personnel are rendered surplus, the autonomous college shall retain all personnel in service on the date of grant of autonomy to the autonomous college by giving them suitable assignments in the institution.

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Governing Body

Constitution of Governing Body of Government Autonomous College

Number	Category	Nature
3 members, one of them to be chairperson	Educationist, Industrialist, Professional	Nominated by the state government persons of proven academic interest with at least PG level qualification.
2 members	Teachers of the College	Nominated by the Principal based on seniority.
1 member	Educationist or industrialist	Nominated by the Principal
1 member	UGC nominee	Nominated by the UGC
1 member	State govt. nominee	Nominated by the state Govt.
1 member	University nominee	Nominated by the university
1 member	Principal of college	Ex-officio. Member-Secretary

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Governing Body

Constitution of Governing Body of University Constituent Autonomous College

Number	Category	Nature
3 members, One of them to be chairperson	Educationist, Industrialist, Professional	Nominated by the university persons of proven academic interest with at least PG level qualification.
2 members	Teachers of the college	Nominated by the Principal based on seniority.
1 member	Educationist or industrialist	Nominated by the Principal.
1 member	UGC nominee	Nominated by the UGC
1 member	State Govt. nominee	Nominated by the state Govt.
1 member	Principal of college	Ex-officio. Member-Secretary

SC-15.14**Governing Body**

Constitution of the Governing Body of Private Management Autonomous College

Number	Category	Nature
5 members	Management	Trust or Management as per the constitution or by law, with the chairman or president/director as the chairperson.
2 members	Teachers of the college	Nominated by the Principal based on seniority.
1 member	Educationist or industrialist	Nominated by the management.
1 member	UGC nominee	Nominated by the UGC
1 member	State govt. nominee	Nominated by the state Govt. academician not below the rank of professor or state Govt. official of Directorate of Higher Education
1 member	University Nominee	Nominated by the university.
1 member	Principal of college	Ex-officio. Member-Secretary

SC-15.15**Governing Body**

Functions:

The Governing Body of the Autonomous College shall have following powers and perform the following duties:

- i) To determine the fees and other charges payable by the students.*
- ii) To institute scholarships, fellowships, studentships, medals, prizes and certificates.*
- iii) To approve institution of new programmes of studies leading to degrees, diplomas or certificates.*
- iv) To accept on behalf of Autonomous College the endowments, donations etc.*
- v) To consider and adopt the financial estimates and audited statements of accounts etc.*
- vi) To perform such other functions and constitute such other Committees, as may be necessary, for the proper development of the autonomous college and to fulfill the objectives and obligations of autonomy.*
- vii) To make, amend and repeal rules and regulations.*
- viii) To consider the reports of the internal and external review committee of the Autonomous College on the recommendations of the Academic Council and take further necessary action.*
- ix) To prepare academic calendar of the Autonomous College.*

x) To assess the feasibility and approve proposals received from Academic Council for academic programmes.

- SC-15.16** (a) There shall be not less than three meetings of the Governing Body in an academic year.
(b) The meeting of the Governing Body shall be held on the date(s) determined by the Chairperson. The Principal/ Head shall issue a notice of meeting at least fifteen clear days before the date of the meeting. The Principal/ Head shall issue an agenda of the meeting to the members at least seven clear days prior to the date of the meeting.
Provided however, in case of an emergency meeting the period notice or agenda shall be waived.
Provided further that, in case of any emergency, other items may be taken up for consideration with the approval of the Chairman, even if these items are not included in the agenda.

SC-15.17 Five members shall constitute the quorum. In case of want of quorum the meeting shall be adjourned by half an hour and no quorum shall be required for such adjourned meeting.

SC-15.18 The Chairperson, or in his/her absence, a member nominated by him/her for the purpose shall preside over the meeting. However, in the absence of the so nominated member, the members present shall elect the Chairperson for the meeting.

SC-15.19 The Governing Body may refer any of the subjects within its purview to the relevant Committee/Body of the Autonomous College. The report of such Committee Body shall be considered by the Governing Body.

SC-15.20 The decision of the Governing Body shall be recorded in the resolution form. The resolution shall not contain the deliberations and discussion and whether the decision is unanimous or otherwise, except the mention of any dissent specifically requested for by the member(s) for being so recorded.

SC-15.21 The Member-Secretary shall read the minutes of the meeting at the end and the same shall be approved by the Chairperson. The minutes of meeting shall be circulated to the members of the Governing Body.

Upon approval of the minutes by the Chairperson, the Member-Secretary shall proceed with implementation of the said resolutions. The action taken on the resolutions shall be reported to the Governing Body in its subsequent meeting(s).

SC-15.22 The Member-Secretary shall ensure that the action taken on every resolution of the Governing Body is duly reported to the Governing Body as soon as the action thereon is completed. In order to ensure proper reporting, the Secretary may adopt suitable administrative measure such as maintaining the register of the items the resolutions thereon and the nature of action taken.

SC-15.23 The members of the Governing Body shall safeguard the interest of the Autonomous College and honour the resolutions.

SC-15.24 The term of the members other than ex-officio members shall be of two years, except for the UGC nominee whose term will be full six years.

SC-15.25 **Academic Council:**

The Academic Council shall be solely responsible for all academic matters, such as framing of academic policy, approval of courses, regulations and syllabi. The Council shall involve faculty at all levels and also experts from outside, including representatives of the university and the government. The decisions taken by the Academic Council shall not be subject to any further ratification by the Academic Council or other statutory bodies of the university.

(a) Composition:

1. The Principal (Chairman).
 2. All Heads of Departments in the college.
 3. Four teachers of the college representing different categories of teaching staff, by rotation on the basis of seniority of service in the college.
 4. Not less than four experts from outside the college representing such areas as Industry, Commerce, Law, Education, Medicine, Engineering etc., to be nominated by the Governing Body.
 5. Three nominees of the University.
 6. A faculty member nominated by the Principal (Member Secretary).
- (b) The term of the nominated members shall be two years.

(c) Meetings:

There shall be not less than two meetings of the Academic Board in an academic year. One-third members of the Academic Board shall constitute the quorum. In case of want of quorum the meeting shall be adjourned by half an hour and no quorum shall be required for such adjourned meeting.

(d) Functions:

Without prejudice to the generality of functions mentioned, the Academic Council will have powers to:

- (i) Scrutinise and approve with or without modification, the proposals of Boards of Studies, with regard to courses of study, academic regulations, curricula, syllabi and modifications thereof, instructional and evaluation procedures relevant thereto.

However, where the Academic Council differs on any proposal, it will have the right to return the matter for reconsideration to the Board of Studies concerned or reject it, after giving reasons.

- (ii) Make regulations regarding the admission of students to different programmes of study in the college.
- (iii) Make regulations for sports, extra-curricular activities.
- (iv) Recommend to the Governing Body proposals for institution of new programmes of study.
- (v) Recommend to the Governing Body institution of scholarships, studentships, fellowships, prizes and medals, and to frame regulations for the award of the same.
- (vi) Advise the Governing Body on suggestion(s) pertaining to academic affairs made by it.
- (vii) Perform such other functions as may be assigned by the Governing Body.

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Board of Studies:

The Board of Studies is the basic constituent of the academic system of an autonomous college. Its functions will include framing the syllabi for various courses, reviewing and updating syllabi from time to time, introducing new courses of study, determining details of continuous assessment, recommending panels of examiners under the semester system.

(a) Composition:

1. Head of the Department concerned (Chairman).
2. All faculty members of the concerned subject.
3. Two experts in the subject from outside the college to be nominated by the Academic Council.
4. One expert to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor from a panel of six recommended by the college Principal.
5. One representative from industry/corporate sector/allied area relating to placement.
6. One alumnus with post-graduate qualification in the subject concerned, to be nominated by the Principal.
7. The Chairman, Board of Studies, may with the approval of the Principal of the college, co-opt experts from outside the college whenever special courses of studies are to be formulated.

(b) Functions:

The Board of Studies of a subject in the college shall:

- (i) prepare syllabi for various courses keeping in view the objectives of the college, interest of the stakeholders and national requirement for consideration and approval of the Academic Council;
- (ii) Recommend methodologies for innovative teaching and evaluation techniques;
- (iii) Recommend panel of names to the Academic Council for appointment of examiners; and
- (iv) Coordinate research, teaching, extension and other academic activities in the department/college.

(c) The term of the nominated members shall be two years.

(d) Meeting:

The Principal of the college shall draw the schedule for meeting of the Board of Studies for different subjects. The meeting may be scheduled as and when necessary, but at least once a year.

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Examination Cell & System :

Autonomous College shall have an Examination Cell headed by Controller of Examination who will be a permanent faculty nominated by the Principal on the basis of potential of the person. The Principal of the college shall be the Chief Controller, Examinations. The Controller of Examination will create his/her own team with the approval of the Principal of the College. The team shall consist of Deputy Controllers/Assistant Controllers; the number of persons to be nominated shall depend on the quantum of work in the Examination Cell. Teachers working in the college shall be nominated in the Examination Cell for tenure of 3 years. They will continue doing their teaching work as scheduled by the college.

There shall be a team of Office Assistants, Computer Programmers, Data Entry Operators and other helpers in the Autonomous Cell.

Examination Cell will have appropriate printing unit also for printing of question papers and other relevant confidential material. All part-time/full time functionaries of the Examination Cell shall be paid honorarium for the extra work being done by them apart from their usual work. Such honoraria shall be proposed by the Finance Committee and shall be approved by the Governing

Body. Governing Body may also approve appointment of full time office staff in the examination cell on contractual basis on the recommendation of Finance Committee. The salary of such staff will also be decided by the same mechanism.

There shall be continuous, comprehensive evaluation of students through internal and external examination. At least 2 internal examinations per semester and 1 semester ending examination should be conducted.

In order to motivate students to be free of rote learning, various mechanism of internal evaluation should be adopted such as group discussion, paper reading, home assignments and viva voce. Remuneration for examination work should be decided by the finance committee and should be approved by the Governing Body. In no case it should be less than that paid by the parent university.

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Powers and Duties of the Examination Committee:

1. The Examination Committee shall:

i) Ensure proper organization of Examinations and tests including moderation, tabulation and declaration of the results. The examinations and evaluation shall be carried out in such a manner as to enhance the faith and credibility in the minds of the Students and the society, by being fair, rational and transparent.

ii) Appoint Examiners, Moderators and Paper Setters from amongst the persons included in the panels prepared by the respective Boards of Studies.

iii) Undertake exercise and experiment in examination reforms.

2. In order to investigate and take disciplinary action for malpractices and lapses, the part of candidates, Paper-Setters, Examiners, Moderators teachers or any other persons connected, with the conduct of examination, the Committee shall constitute a sub-Committee consisting of three members, one of whom shall be the Chairman.

3. The recommendations of the Sub-Committee shall be placed before the Examination Committee, which shall take disciplinary action in the matter as deemed fit.

4. Two-third members shall constitute the quorum. In case of want of quorum the meeting shall be adjourned by half an hour and no quorum shall be required for such adjourned meeting.

5. The Committee shall meet at least twice during the academic year and such other times as may be required.

6. The Committee shall perform such other duties and responsibilities, which is assigned to it from time to time by the Governing Body.

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Award of Degrees:

Goa University shall award degrees to the students evaluated and recommended by the autonomous colleges. The degree certificates shall be in a common format devised by the University. The name of the college will be mentioned in the degree certificate.

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Finance Committee:

a) The Autonomous College shall constitute a Finance Committee which shall consist of:

i) Chairman of the Governing Body or his/her nominee- Chairperson;

ii) Principal-Member Secretary;

iii) Two teachers nominated by the Principal by rotation according to seniority;

iv) Vice-Chancellor's nominees not below the rank of Asstt. Registrar from the Finance Section of the University.

v) One member of the Governing Body of the Society/ Trust managing the Autonomous College.

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Purchase Committee:

1. The Autonomous College shall constitute a Purchase Committee, which shall consist of:

- (i) Chairperson of the Governing Body or his/her nominee – Chairperson/ Principal-Member Secretary.
- (ii) Two senior teachers/ two professors to be nominated by the Principal.
- (iii) One representative of the Governing Body.

2. The Powers and duties of the Purchase Committee:

- i) All matters pertaining to purchases wherein individual cost of each items, exceeds the amount as specified by the Governing Body shall be placed before Purchase Committee.
- ii) Ordinarily, the Superintendent of the Autonomous College shall act as the Secretary to the Purchase Committee.
- iii) The Committee may, if necessary, suggest the name(s) of the expert(s) to scrutinize the purchase, which are of technical nature.
- iv) The Committee may maintain rate contracts with approved dealers for supply of consumable etc.

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Resource Mobilisation:

1. The Autonomous College shall be competent to raise its own resources by:
- a) Accepting endowments and/or donations, which are not linked with admissions/appointments.
 - b) Revising fees with the permission of the Governing Body and the State Govt.
 - c) Accepting grant-in-aid as applicable to aided colleges in the State.
 - d) Inviting other assistance from funding agencies.
 - e) Generating such other sources, which are legally permissible and in consonance with the objectives of the University and of the Autonomous College.
2. The resources realized by the Autonomous College shall be utilized solely for the purpose of the conduct and development of the Autonomous College.

SC-15.33

Evaluation/ Review Committee:

A **Review Committee** constituted by the Chairman, UGC, with a few experts may visit the colleges to review the working of the autonomous colleges as under:-

- (1) 3 Experts out of which one shall be the Chairman.
- (2) One Nominee of the Affiliating University
- (3) UGC Officer (Member Secretary)

The UGC Review Committee may visit the college in between 5th and 6th year of autonomy.

The University shall send its own Review Committee consisting of its members and a State Government nominee, at least once during the tenure of the autonomy.

To avoid hardship to existing autonomous colleges, provision of 80% of the admissible grant will be released to such autonomous colleges by the Regional Offices as an "On Account" grant, in case the review of the autonomous colleges is delayed beyond the expiry of tenure of autonomy.

Also in the event of delay in the review report and renewal of autonomy, the college will continue to enjoy autonomy with the entitlements of benefits, fiscal or otherwise so conceived under the scheme, unless the government or Goa University, by a special Order, withholds such continuation. In the event of the availability of evidence confirming decline in standards in an autonomous college, it shall be open to the UGC and the University to revoke the autonomous status of that college after careful scrutiny, and mutual

consultation and due notification to the management. In such cases the students already admitted under the autonomous scheme would be allowed to complete the course under autonomous status.

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1. The autonomous college has to submit the compliance report in response to the University Review Committee report for consideration of the University Academic Council.

2. Notwithstanding anything contained in the foregoing provisions, the University may, suo-motu, or on receipt of complaints that the Autonomous College has violated any or all applicable provisions of these Statutes or guidelines of the University Grants Commission, the Government or Goa University, and as a result has adversely affected or jeopardized the principles observing the conferment of autonomous status, appoint a special committee and obtain report there from which shall be considered by Academic Council in a special meeting convened for the purpose.

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Evaluation/ Review Committee:

1. The Academic Council, on the basis of the reports of the Review Committee(s), and of the compliance thereof, may decide to extend or revoke the autonomous status conferred on the College and recommend accordingly to the Executive Council.

2. If the Executive Council decides to revoke the autonomous status, the autonomous college shall be given sufficient and proper opportunity, to submit its say.

3. The Executive Council, after examining the say of the concerned institution, may revoke the autonomous status if not satisfied and recommend the same to the Government and the University Grants Commission for concurrence.

4. On receipt of the concurrence of the Government and of the University Grants Commission, the Registrar shall communicate to the Autonomous College and the autonomy thereof shall be revoked, as stated in the following clauses, by stages.

5. The revocation of the autonomy conferred on the Autonomous College shall be in phases. The students admitted prior to the revocation of autonomous status shall continue to be treated as students of Autonomous College and shall be given reasonable period to complete their respective course, to which they were admitted.

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In case the Autonomous College as per recommendations of its Governing Body, desires to surrender the autonomous status, it shall apply to the Registrar in writing, stating reasons. On receipt of such request, the Registrar shall place the same before the Executive Council for its decision.

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The Autonomous College of which autonomous status is revoked or surrendered shall resume the status of Affiliated College as the case may be prior to grant of autonomous status and subject to the conditions, as may be prescribed by the competent authorities.

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Other Committees:

1. In addition to the Committees mentioned in foregoing Statutes, the Autonomous College may constitute Committees such as Planning and Evaluation Committee, Grievances Committee, Library Committee, Admission Committee and Committee on Students' Welfare and extra-curricular matters as deemed necessary.

2. Composition of such Committees, the quorum, the powers and duties shall be as prescribed by the Governing Body of the college.

SC-15.39

General matters

Starting of new programs:

An autonomous college may offer Diploma (undergraduate and postgraduate) or Certificate programs with the prior approval of the College Academic Council. Such diplomas and certificates shall be issued under the seal of the Autonomous College. An autonomous college may also offer a new Bachelor's Degree or Master's Degree program, with the approval of the Academic Council of the College. Such programs shall fulfill the minimum standards prescribed by the University/UGC in terms of number of hours, curricular content and standards, and the University shall be duly informed of such programs.

An Autonomous College may rename an existing program after restructuring/redesigning it with the approval of the college Academic Council as per UGC norms. The University should be duly informed of such proceedings so that it may award new degrees in place of the old.

The University shall have the right to review all new programs of an autonomous college. Where there is evidence of decline in standards or quality, the University may, after careful scrutiny, and in consultation with the UGC, either help to modify them, wherever possible, or cancel such programs.

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1. The recruitment of the teaching faculty, and their qualifications, reservation rules and service conditions of the teaching faculty shall be as per the statutes, prepared by the University, from time to time.

2. The service conditions, qualifications, recruitment rules and reservation rules, for the appointment of the non-teaching employees shall be prescribed by the State Government from time to time.

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All such Statutes/ Ordinances/ Circulars/ Resolutions passed by Goa University prior to the setting up of the Autonomous College and which are governed by these statutes shall not apply to the autonomous college. In all matters which are not governed by these Statutes, University statutes/ordinances/circulars /resolutions in force from time to time shall apply.

SC-15.42

Notwithstanding anything contained in these Statutes, no provision therein shall be deemed to authorize or empower any of the body or bodies constituted under the Statutes to take any decision involving financial commitments or empowering receipt of any financial aid or donations, without the prior approval of the Governing Body.