

FEE REGULATORY COMMITTEE (TECHNICAL)

Constituted under Section 9(1) of the Gujarat Professional Technical Educational Colleges or Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Fixation of Fees) Act, 2007 (Gujarat Act No. 2 of 2008)

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Date: 08/09/2022

FEE ORDER

ORDER made in the matter of determination of fee structure for the Academic Years 2020-2021, 2021-2022 & 2022-2023:

Name of Institutions:- School of Maritime Managament, Gujarat Maritime University, Gandhinagar

Program:-Master of Business Administration (MBA)

FRC Institution Code:-53121

The institution approached the Fee Regulatory Committee ("the Committee" for short) constituted under the provisions of The Gujarat Professional Technical Educational Colleges or Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Fixation of Fees) Act, 2007 ("the Act" for short) to determine its fee structure in accordance with its fee proposal. In pursuance of the said request, the Committee commenced the process of determination of its fee structure. The Committee found that the institution was established in the year 2020-21 and therefore its fee structure was required to be determined for the period of three years i.e. 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23. The Committee after following its necessary procedure determined the fee structure for the year 2020-21 and conveyed it to the institution by circular published on the Committee's website on 28/02/2022. This fee structure is applicable to the students admitted in the year 2020-21 and it is to continue till the students complete the program in the said institution. This fee structure is now included in the present order. Subsequently, the institution submitted its audited accounts with a request to re-determine the fee structure already conveyed to it on 28/02/2022 in accordance with the accounts submitted by it and also to determine the fee structures for the

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subsequent years i.e. 2021-22 and 2022-23 in accordance with its proposals and on the basis of the said audited accounts.

In view of its request, the institution was intimated to remain present before the Committee on 19/05/2022 for personal hearing and in pursuance of that, the authorized representatives of the institutions remained present before the Committee on that day. They submitted that institution's fee structure for the year 2020-21 may be revised upwardly on the basis of the accounts submitted by it. The Committee apprised them about Section-10(3) of the Act that fee once determined by the Committee cannot be revised for the period of three years and on that ground, it turned down the request. Apart from this, the designated Chartered Accountant Member of the Committee had perused the account submitted by the institution and had found that considering the fact that this was a newly established institution, its cost per student would work out very high being the initial years of establishment. In such cases, the number of students is comparatively low resulting into the high-cost fee structure. So, once the institution starts operating at optimum capacity and infrastructure and other fixed costs are absorbed fully, the cost per student will come down drastically. Thus, the Committee had found that on merits also there was no reason for upward revision of the fee already announced by it.

The Committee took this opportunity to make an appeal to the institution to maintain the status quo of the fee determined by the Committee for the year 2020-21 even for the years 2021-22 and 2022-23 for the students to be admitted in those years. However, the institution remained non-responsive.

In view of the aforesaid reasons, the Committee unanimously resolved not to revise the fee structure conveyed to the institution vide its circular dated 28/02/2022.

Moreover, the Committee on the basis of the working done by the designated Chartered Accountant of the Committee found that there was no

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justification to grant the fee proposed by the institution for the years 2021-22 and 2022-23.

Based on the above, the Committee has determined the fee structure subject to the following conditions:-

- i. The fee structure indicated hereto is the fees in Rupees per annum per student.
- ii. The fee structure determined by the Committee shall be binding for a period of three years. The fee so determined shall be applicable to the students admitted in that academic year and shall not be revised till the completion of his/her professional course in the same institution.
- iii. As per section 11 (2) of the Act, the fees indicated in hereto includes all types and kinds of fees such as Tuition fees, Library fees, Laboratory fees, Computer Fees, Caution Money, Gymkhana, Internet, Sports and Recreation, Self/Personality Centers fee, University Affiliation fees (if any) and the like. The institution shall not collect any other fee from the students except the fees as mentioned hereto.
- iv. The fee structure as mentioned hereto is subject to any direction, circular, orders or notification that may be issued by the Government of Gujarat, Government of India, Statutory or Regulatory Body or Any Court of Law with regard to fees to be charged by institutions for the year 2020-21 or for any other period that may be prescribed by it.
- v. The institution shall not take fees for the full course at the time of admission. The fees shall be collected per semester or term of 6 (Six) months as the case may be.
- vi. The institution shall not ask for any bank guarantee or security of any kind from students or their parents.

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- vii. The institution shall not compel any student to avail of any facility including hostel and transport as a part of the condition for admission or its continuity till the end of the full tenure of the course.
- viii. The institution shall notify the Fee structure on its Notice
 Board and also display copy of this order on its
 Mandatory Disclosure Link on its official website.
- ix. Additional fees charged from the students admitted under the NRI Quota shall be credited to a separate bank account and the same will be used only for the benefits of the students belonging to the economically weaker class and/or for increasing/ developing the infrastructure facilities. The institution shall also furnish all the information pertaining to the utilization of excess fees from the NRI category students in the information memorandum which may be submitted along with the fee proposal for next block of three years.

In view of the above, the Committee now prescribes the fee structure for the block period of 3 years commencing from the year 2020-21, 2021-22 and 2022-23 as under:

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Maritime University, Gandhinagar

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Member Secretary

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