

**GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL  
HIGHER EDUCATION, SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY  
AND BIOTECHNOLOGY DEPARTMENT  
(C. S. BRANCH)  
BIKASH BHABAN, SALT LAKE CITY  
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**ORDER**

Whereas, the National Council for Teachers Education (NCTE), a regulatory body constituted under the National Council for Teachers Education Act, 1973, being the National Regulator in respect of maintenance of standard of Teacher's Training Education in India and also being enriched with the mandate of the Right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009, is empowered to prescribe the mode and standard of Teacher's Training Education, including syllabus of courses, qualifications for recruitment of teachers in various Primary, Secondary, Senior Secondary and Higher Secondary Schools and Teacher's Training Colleges in India, and

2. Whereas, by its Regulations published in the Gazette of India dated 12.11.2014, the NCTE has introduced a 4-year integrated B.A. B. Ed and B. Sc. B. Ed course with the view to enable a comprehensive Degree in regard to the teachers education programme, and accordingly, requested all State Government to introduce the said course curriculum in respective Teacher's Training Institutions of the States, and

3. Whereas, requests have been received from various institutions, colleges and Universities of West Bengal to consider the introduction of these 4-years integrated degree programmes from the Academic Session 2017-2018, and

4. Whereas, the whole issue needs to be appraised by an Expert Committee in detail showing the possible outcome of the courses, if introduced, including the acceptability of the Degree awarded under these programmes by various Universities in furtherance of Master's Degree courses and also by various employers and Recruitment Bodies, and

5. Now, therefore, with the above mentioned objectives, the Governor is hereby pleased to constitute and Expert Committee under the Chairmanship of **Prof. Mita Bandopadhyay, the Vice Chancellor of the West Bengal University of Teacher's Training, Education Planning and Administration**, with the following members, namely;—

- (i) Prof. Jayasri Roy Chowdhury, Director of Public Instructions,
- (ii) Prof. Dipak Kumar Kar, Chairman, West Bengal College Service Commission,
- (iii) Chairman, West Bengal School Service Commission,
- (iv) State Government's Representative in the NCTE's Eastern Regional Committee,
- (v) Member Secretary, West Bengal State Council of Higher Education,

- (vi) Vice Chancellors, or their nominees of Burdwan University, Vidyasagar University, North Bengal University, Sidho-Kanho-Birsha University, Gour Banga University and Aliah University,
- (vii) Dr. Sujit Pal, Deputy Director of Public Instruction (Training)- Secretary to the Committee.

6. The terms and reference to the Committee shall be as follows:-

- (1) The Committee shall examine in detail the NCTE's Regulations on the 4-year integrated courses, the course curriculum, syllabus and other relevant documents in this regard,
- (2) The Committee shall also design a detailed course structure, teaching hours, practical classes, expertise required for teaching of such course, the qualification and recruitment procedures of teachers who will teach these courses and other relevant details,
- (3) The Committee shall also examine the feasibility of teaching these courses in various institutions, colleges and Universities in West Bengal and indicate the possible outcome of introduction of these courses in respect of employability as well as further higher studies in this regard.
- (4) The Committee may meet various stake holders and institutions who desires to introduce these courses and also indicate the physical requirement of institutions in respect of building, classrooms, other facilities, teachers-student ratio, quality of teachers etc.
- (5) The Committee shall also examine the employability potential of candidates doing the 4-year integrated courses, particularly with reference to teacher recruitment bodies in West Bengal.
- (6) The Committee shall also examine the procedural formalities required to be taken by the Teachers' Training Colleges/ Universities, Departments before introducing such integrated courses.
- (7) The Committee shall also prepare Roadmap/ timelines for implementation of the above mentioned courses in Colleges and Universities.

7. The Committee shall submit to the State Government a report in this regard within one month.

By order of the Governor,



Secretary

Government of West Bengal