

Minutes of the meeting convened by the Hon'ble Minister for Education, in his chamber at Legislative Assembly building at 11.00 AM on 21.03.2013 regarding admission of students from Mahe in Government Arts & Science Colleges in Northern Kerala and Students from Kerala in Mahatma Gandhi Government Arts & Science College, Mahe on reciprocal basis.

List of Participants:

1. Shri. P.K.Abdu Rabb, Hon'ble Minister for Education, Government of Kerala
2. Shri. E. Valsaraj, MLA, Mahe
3. Shri. G. Ragesh Chandra I.A.S, Secretary to Government in Education, Puducherry
4. Dr. P.K. Velayudhan, Additional Director of Collegiate Education.
5. Shri. S. Ajikumaran, Additional Secretary, Higher Education Department
6. Dr. P.T Joseph, Registrar (i/c), Kannur University.
7. Shri. Sujith.K.G, Deputy Registrar, Calicut University
8. Dr. Santhosh.S, Joint Commissioner (Academic), Commissionerate of Entrance Examinations

The Hon'ble Minister for Education, Kerala was in chair. Sri. E. Valsaraj MLA (Mahe) illustrated the present higher educational prospects of Mahe. Mahatma Gandhi Government Arts & Science College is the only one Government Arts & Science College in Mahe offering under graduate courses in nine disciplines and Post Graduate courses in two disciplines. As such the students from Mahe who pass the graduate courses have no sufficient opportunity for the Post Graduate courses. Even though the colleges in their neighbouring districts in Kerala are offering Post Graduate Courses, the students from Mahe are not considered for admission. Whereas , many of the graduate degree seats in the college in Mahe are left vacant. Up to 1993, the practice was that, on the completion of admission of students from Mahe, Kerala students were permitted to be admitted in the vacant seats. But later the admission for students from Kerala was restricted up to 10% of total seats and hence, now, they are admitting only 3 students from Kerala in each subject. Hence, in the discussion, Sri. Valsaraj MLA and the Secretary to

Government in Education, Puducherry suggested an admission procedure on reciprocal basis, viz: students from Mahe may be admitted in Government Colleges in Northern Districts of Kerala for Post Graduate Arts & Science courses and the students from Kerala will be admitted in the Mahatma Gandhi Government College Mahe in the graduate level courses in the seven disciplines and post graduate courses in two disciplines.

After detailed discussions the following decisions were taken:

The following number of seats in the Undergraduate courses in the Mahatma Gandhi Government College Mahe will be offered to the Kerala students who apply directly to Mahatma Gandhi Government College Mahe at the time of admission in that college.

Graduate level courses

1. BA Hindi	- 10 seats
2. B.Sc. Physics	- 10 seats
3. B.Sc Chemistry	- 10 seats
4. B.Sc Zoology	- 10 seats
5. B.Sc Plant science	- 10 seats
6. B.Sc Mathematics	- 10 seats
7. B.Sc Computer Science	- 10 seats

Total (Gaduate level)	- 70 Seats

Post Graduate Courses

1. M.A. Hindi	- 5 seats
2. M.Sc Plant Science	- 5 seats

Total (PG level)	- 10 seats

Reciprocating to this, Government of Kerala agreed to admit 2 students each from Mahe for the Post Graduate Course in the colleges and courses as detailed below, without affecting the admission of students from Kerala.

Government Brennan,College, Thalassery,Kannur

- 1) MA English - 1
- 2) MA Economics - 1

Government College,Madappally, Kozhikode

- 1) M.Com - 1

Government College,Manathawady, Wayanad

- 1) M.Com - 1

V.K Krishna Menon Memorial,Vanitha College, Kannur

- 1) MA English -1
- 2) MA Development Economics -1

TOTAL SEATS - 6

II.) It is decided to create two additional seats in Government Brennan College and V.K. Krishna Menon Memorial Vanitha College and one seats each in Government Colleges, Madappally and Wayanad over and above the sanctioned strength (without any financial commitment to Government) in order to admit the students from Mahe, subject to the condition that in the absence of students from Mahe, no admission shall be done from among the students of Kerala in those additional seats. The students admitted in those seats will be sponsored by the Regional Authority of the Government of Puducherry at Mahe.

The authority in the Higher Education Department in Mahe will take initiative to allot to the students the above sponsored seats from Mahe on merit basis at the time of admission in the concerned college/ University in Kerala.

Government of Kerala /Universities will make necessary amendments of the prospectus in the concerned Colleges.

The meeting came to an end at 12.30PM