

MINUTES OF THE 2ND MEETING OF NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR VOCATIONAL EDUCATION & TRAINING (NCVET) HELD ON 20TH OCTOBER, 2020

The second meeting of the National Council for Vocational Education & Training (NCVET) was held on 20th October, 2020 through video-conferencing, under the Chairpersonship of Shri Praveen Kumar, Chairman, NCVET and Secretary, MSDE. The list of participants is at Annexure-I.

At the outset, Shri. Praveen Kumar, Chairman, NCVET and Secretary, MSDE welcomed all the participants for the meeting. Ms. Vinita Aggarwal EM, NCVET welcomed the members and initiated the proceedings of the meeting.

Quorum of NCVET Meetings

Members deliberated to decide upon the Quorum of Council meetings. Chairperson NCVET proposed that Quorum of the NCVET meeting shall be two-third (2/3rd) of the constituted body. In case 2/3rd members were not present, the meeting would be adjourned for an hour, after which it will convene again, for which 1/3rd members of the constituted body shall form the Quorum of the meeting. Council approved and adopted the same.

Agenda Item 1: Confirmation of the Minutes of 1st Meeting of NCVET (21.7.20)

Council approved the Minutes of the 1st meeting of NCVET held on 21st July 2020.

Agenda Item 2: Adoption of Guidelines for Recognition and Regulation of Awarding Bodies and Its Operational Manual

The Council was informed that post consultations with various stakeholders the drafts of Guidelines and the Operational Manual were reworked upon by the NCVET team. Further as per the NCVET Gazette Notification, the Guidelines were placed in the public domain via MSDE website, NCVET website & MYGOV portal for a period of 21 days. Final drafts post consideration of public comments were placed for the approval of the Council.

A brief summary of major comments along with action taken thereupon was presented before the Council. The Council approved the Guidelines with following modifications:

- i. Definition of 'business' under prior experience should not include awarding function as no entity shall act as an awarding body without NCVET recognition.
- ii. Prior experience must also reflect as training undertaken by an entity. Council decided that States/UTs may be categorised based on population or any other relevant data, cut off for which could be around 55 lakhs youth population (age 15-29) and minimum number of trainings to be conducted may be ascertained.

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The details of the same shall be discussed and decided by the Chairperson and the Executive Members. The Council would be informed of the same in its next meeting.

Agenda Item 3: Adoption of Guidelines for Recognition and Regulation of Assessment Agencies and its Operational Manual

The Council was informed that the draft Guidelines were formulated after extensive stakeholder consultations and were also subsequently placed in public domain for comments as required in the NCVET Notification. The final Guidelines along with the Operational Manual, after examining the comments received were placed for the approval of the Council.

A brief summary of major comments along with action taken thereupon was presented before the Council. The Council approved the Guidelines with following modifications:

i. Eligibility Criteria - Prior Experience

Council decided that States/UTs may be categorised based on population or any other relevant data which could be around 55 lakhs youth population (age 15-29) and a cutoff for assessments conducted may be ascertained. The details of the same shall be discussed and decided by Chairperson and Executive Members, NCVET and the Council would be informed of the same in its next meeting.

ii. Definition of Assessment Agencies

A detailed definition of Assessment Agencies may also be placed in the guidelines.

iii. Assessor Qualification

Ms. Vinita Aggarwal, EM informed that assessor qualifications would be as prescribed for each qualification by the respective awarding body. This was agreed to by the Council, however, in cases where these were not prescribed, the qualifications as outlined in Annexure –II of these minutes would be adhered to.

iv. Dual Recognition

Chairperson, NCVET suggested that for separation of awarding and assessment functions, recognised bodies under dual category should move towards setting up a separate Assessment Board. Till such time that

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such a mechanism was put in place, it may be ensured that the same person was not involved in both training & assessment.

v. Sharing of Assessment Fees:

Chairperson, NCVET suggested that the minimum percentage (i.e. 60%) of assessment fees to be given to the assessment agencies may be mentioned in the guidelines instead of the ratio of sharing of assessment fees.

vi. Data of assessors on NCVET portal

It was suggested that a repository of assessors be maintained by the NCVET containing details of assessors including Aadhaar No / Aadhaar application number (Aadhaar number to be masked). Para 7.3.2 (b) of the Guidelines regarding 'Assessors' may be amended accordingly.

Agenda Item 4. Ratification of delegation of financial and administrative powers to Director, NCVET

The Council was informed that delegation of administrative and financial powers to the Council, Chairperson, NCVET and Executive Member, NCVET was approved by Council in its first meeting. For ease of functioning, vide Order dated 18.8.2020, the powers of Executive Member, NCVET were further delegated to Deputy Director General (DDG), NCVET with the approval of Chairman, NCVET. Since the DDG was transferred and a Director joined in her place, the powers of Executive Member, NCVET were delegated to Director, NCVET vide Order dated 13.10.2020, with the approval of Chairman, NCVET.

The Council was requested to ratify the delegation of administrative and financial powers of Executive Member, NCVET to DDG and subsequently to Director, NCVET. Council ratified the same.

Additional Agenda Items:

1. Monitoring of Qualifications and Rationalisation of National Qualification Register (NQR)

The council was informed about the analysis of usage of Qualifications of Awarding Bodies (ABs). The Council after discussion approved the bifurcation of NQR into Active and Archive sections. It was decided that the QFs would be shifted to Archive section if the AB fails to submit for its renewal 03 months prior

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to the revision date of Qualification or 3 months prior to the renewal of recognition of AB. As advised by Chairman, it was decided that a technical mechanism would be developed for sending messages about expiring Qualifications to the respective AB

2. Development of Guidelines for Monitoring and Enforcement Mechanism

The Council was briefed about the rationale for development of Monitoring and Enforcement Framework and the status of work being done. The Chairman advised to circulate the Concept note with the members of the Council for their comments.

3. Development of Credit Framework for TVET

The Council was apprised of the status of development of Credit Framework for TVET. It was informed that Core committee has been constituted and work has been initiated.

Meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the chair.

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Annexure – I

List of Participants:

S No.	Name	Designation & Organisation
1	Sh.Praveen Kumar	Chairperson, NCVET
2	Ms. Vinita Aggarwal	Executive Member, NCVET
3	Ms. Sunita Sanghi	Executive Member, NCVET
4	Ms. Juthika Patankar	AS, MSDE
5	Ms. Alka Upadhayaya	AS, MoRD
6	Sh. S B Singh	DDG MoLE
7	Sh. V Ringe	Sr. Technical Director, NIC
8	Sh. Narendar Singh	Director, NCVET
9	Virendra Sharma	Director, MoRD
10	Madhukar Pandey	US, MoHUA
11	Sh. Ganesh	Consultant, MoHUA
12	Ms. Nidhi	Consultant, MoRD
13	Sh. Saurabh Kalparia	Consultant, NCVET
14	Sh. Sarika Dixit	Consultant, NCVET
15	Ms. Tanavi Singh	Consultant, NCVET

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Annexure – II

Minimum qualification of Assessors

In case the qualification and experience of assessor is not mentioned in the qualification file, then either of the following criteria shall be adhered to.

- Advanced Diploma / Diploma / ITI Certificate / in the relevant discipline with minimum 3 years of experience in their professional fields (including minimum 2 years of relevant industry experience)
- RPL certification on the same qualification (same or higher level) for which assessment is to be conducted with minimum 5 years of experience in their professional fields (including minimum 4 years of relevant industry experience)
- Training in the same or higher qualification with 7–8 years of experience, either in industry or as a trainer