



KERALA UNIVERSITY OF HEALTH SCIENCES

ABSTRACT

KUHS-Examination-recommendations of Malpractices & Lapses Enquiry Committee – punitive actions on discrepancies noted in the conduct of University Examination at Saraswathy College of Nursing, Parassala, Thiruvananthapuram – approved by GC – orders issued

EXAMINATION BRANCH

U.O.No : 18/2021/Exam General

Date : 03-03-2021

Read:1) Minutes of the 107th meeting of M&LEC, dt.22.12.2020

2) Report of Dist. Police Chief, TVM

3) Minutes of the 63rd meeting of Governing Council dt.17/02/2021

ORDER

The question Paper of “Child Health Nursing” (QP Code : 312010) of Third Year BSc Nursing (S) Examinations, April, 2020 was circulated through ‘Whatsapp’ group of teachers during the conduct of examination on 04.11.2020 at 10.30 am. The Nodal officer, Mrs. Mercy George of Govt. College of Nursing, Kozhikode has noticed the incident and reported the same through Dean, Faculty of Nursing, Dr. Sreedevi.T.R, to the Controller of Examinations. The Hon’le Vice Chancellor has ordered to cancel the examination of QP Code 312010 conducted on 04.11.2020 and the said examination was conducted on a later date (07.11.2020).

On verifying the CCTV recordings received from Saraswathy College of Nursing, Parassala, Thiruvananthapuram, serious discrepancies were noted during the conduct of Third Year BSc Nursing(S) Examinations, April, 2020 and First Year MSc Nursing Examination, November, 2020 conducted on 04.11.2020.

107th meeting of M&LEC considered the issue and Dr.Kavitha, Chief Superintendent, Ms. Arya and Ms. Anu, both Invigilators of the aforesaid examinations appeared before the Committee. They admitted that they had copied the question paper in their mobile phones for record purpose in the department and have no intention of letting leak of the question paper. It was also explained that one of the Invigilators inadvertently shared it in the whatsapp group of teachers purely on academic interest. Another Invigilator explained that she had copied the Question paper in her mobile but has not shared it to anyone.

M&LEC was of the opinion that, this is a grave malpractice which had affected the credibility of the Examination and University. Moreover, University has also incurred financial loss of Rs. 67, 042/- (Rupees Sixty seven thousand and forty two only) in re-conducting the Examination. Hence, Committee *recommended action against the institution as per clause 1(D)1 of Examination manual.ie. **Impose penalty or cancellation of examination and/or examination centre for a period of up to five years and/or any other punishment including suspension or withdrawal of affiliation for a definite period as decided by the Governing Council taking into account the gravity of the malpractice. All expenses incurred in connection with the conduct of examination in alternate centre have to be met by the defaulting institution. Committee also recommended***



disciplinary action against the Chief Superintendent and the Invigilators involved in this incident by the Governing Council as they deemed fit, taking into account the gravity of the offence, circumstances of the case and the details of the malpractice reported.

The 63rd meeting of Governing Council, vide agenda No. 63.21 has considered the above recommendations and resolved the following vide paper read as (3) above :-

- 1. To approve the recommendations of Malpractices and Lapses Enquiry Committee.**
- 2. To release the results of the MSc Nursing Examinations and re-conducted examination of Third Year BSc Nursing Examination of Saraswathy College of Nursing, Parassala, Thiruvananthapuram.**
- 3. To collect an amount of Rs. 67, 042/- (Rupees Sixty seven thousand and forty two only) towards the expenditure incurred by the University for re-conducting the cancelled Third Year BSc Nursing examinations, from Saraswathi College of Nursing.**
- 4. To cancel the Examination centre for 1 year and to disqualify the Invigilators Ms.Arya and Ms.Anu from the Examination duty for 5 years.** The cancellation of the Examination Centre comes into effect from 17.02.2021, the date of decision of the Governing Council.

The Hon. Vice Chancellor has accorded sanction to implement the decision of the Governing Council with respect to the recommendations of Malpractices and Lapses Enquiry Committee.

Orders are issued accordingly.

By Order of the Vice Chancellor,

Sd/-

Prof (Dr) S Anilkumar

Controller of Examinations

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