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CIRCULAR

**Sub: Refund of Fees to students - withdrawal / cancellation
of admissions- reg...**

Ref: 1. AICTE - Fee Refund Policy (APH 2024-27 Clause 6.45
(Copy enclosed))

2. UGC Refund Policy : D.O. No. F-2.71/2022 (CPP-II) (C-114546)
dt: 12-06-2024 (Copy enclosed)

With reference to the above, the University is receiving many petitions / requests w.r.t. refund of fees to students in case of withdrawal / cancellation of admissions. University has advised / instructed the colleges to follow the norms of apex bodies. (Copies of above referred communications of Apex bodies is enclosed) Still the University is receiving such complaints .

Hence, once again it is hereby informed to the heads of institutions to follow the directions of Apex bodies- both UGC & AICTE and VTU in this regard, failing which, the University will be forced to initiate action against the college and will also report to AICTE, UGC and State Govt.

This is for strict compliance.

Encl: As above

BY ORDER

REGISTRAR,

To,

- 1 The Principals of All Engineering (Constituent /Affiliated/Autonomous/) Colleges under the ambit of VTU, Belagavi
- 2 All the Chairpersons and Programme Coordinators of VTU Departments of all centres

Copy to:

- 1 The Chairman, All India Council for Technical Education, New Delhi
- 2 The Chairman, University Grants Commission, New Delhi
- 3 The Chairman, Admission Overseeing Committee, KEA Building, 2nd Floor, 18th Cross, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore - 560 012
- 4 The Chairman, Fee Regulatory Committee, KEA Building, 2nd Floor, 18th Cross, Sampige Road, Malleshwaram, Bangalore - 560 012
- 5 The Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Karnataka Government Secretariat, M.S. Building, Bengaluru-560 001.
- 6 The Commissioner Collegiate Education, Unnatha Shikshna Soudha, Seshadri Road Bengaluru - 56000,
- 7 The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor through the Secretary to VC, VTU, Belagavi for kind information
- 8 The Registrar (Evaluation), VTU, Belagavi for kind needful
- 9 The Regional Directors (I/C) of all the Regional Offices of VTU for circulation
- 10 The Director(I/C),ITISMU, VTU, Belagavi- to upload on VTU website
- 11 All the concerned Special Officers and Case-workers of Academic Section, VTU, Belagavi for information and necessary action
- 12 Circular file



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University Grants Commission

(शिक्षा मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)
(Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)

D.O. No.F.2-71/2022 (CPP-II) (C-114546)

12th June, 2024 / 22 ज्येष्ठ, 1946

Subject: Fee Refund Policy 2024-25

आदरणीय महोदया/महोदय,

The University Grants Commission receives many representations/complaints from students/parents on the non-refund of fees by the Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) on cancellation/withdrawal of admissions.

2. Students should be allowed a full refund of fees within a specified period to enable them to opt for a course of their choice.
3. The Commission has considered the matter in its 580th meeting held on 15 May 2024, and after considering the relevant factors decided, the following fee refund policy for the academic session 2024-25:

- a. Notwithstanding anything contained in any guidelines/ prospectus/ notification/ schedule, a full refund of fees shall be made by the HEIs on account of all cancellations of admissions/migrations of students up to 30 September 2024 and with a deduction of not more than Rs. 1,000, as a processing fee, up to 31 October 2024.
- b. It shall apply to all higher education institutions, whether established or incorporated by or under a Central Act or a State Act, and every institution recognized by the University Grants Commission under clause (f) of Section 2 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 and to all institutions deemed to be a University declared as such under Section 3 therein and to all higher education institutions affiliated to a University.
- c. These guidelines would also be applicable to organizations, consortiums, committees, associations, etc., constituted for the purpose of conducting counselling or processing admissions and collecting fees on behalf of participating HEIs, and the HEI concerned will be responsible for refund fees.
- d. For any admission schedule extending/commencing beyond/after 31 October 2024, the provisions contained in the UGC Notification issued in October 2018 on Refund of Fees and Non-Retention of Original Certificates shall apply (reproduced below for ready reference):

Category	Percentage of Refund of fees*	Point of time when notice of withdrawal of admission is received in the HEI
(1)	100%	15 days or more before the formally notified last date of admission
(2)	90%	Less than 15 days before the formally notified last date of admission
(3)	80%	15 days or less after the formally notified last date of admission
(4)	50%	30 days or less, but more than 15 days after formally notified last date of admission
(5)	00%	More than 30 days after formally notified last date of admission

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e. This policy will remain in force for subsequent academic sessions until the issuance of a revised policy by the UGC.

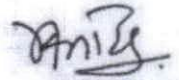
4. It may also be noted that the UGC has notified the Redressal of Grievances of Students Regulations, 2023, wherein "delay in, or denial of, the refund of fees due to a student who withdraws admission within the time mentioned in the prospectus, subject to guidelines, if any, issued by the Commission, from time to time" has been defined as one of the grievances.

5. The Higher Education Institutions are requested to ensure compliance with the fee refund policy for the academic session 2024-25 and redress any grievance by the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Redressal of Grievances of Students) Regulations, 2023.

6. Any HEI violating the provisions of UGC Fee Refund Policy 2024-25 shall be liable for punitive action as notified in Clause 5 of the UGC Notification on Refund of Fees and Non-Retention of Original Certificates issued in October 2018.

सादर,

भवदीय,



(मनिष जोशी)

सेवा में,

सभी विश्वविद्यालयों के कुलपति।

सभी महाविद्यालयों के प्राचार्य।

c. Requirements and Eligibility

Students meeting eligibility criteria as defined in the scheme guideline document available on AICTE website: <https://www.aicte-india.org/> (Gifted Child Scheme under announcement) are eligible for seats under this scheme.

d. Admission Procedure

Admission Procedure for Gifted Children shall be as per **Clause 6.43 (e)**.

6.45 Fee Refund Policy

In the event of a student withdrawing before the start of the Course, the entire Fee collected from the student, after a deduction of the processing Fee of not more than Rs.1000/- (Rupees One Thousand only) shall be refunded by the Institution. It would not be permissible for Institutions to retain the School/ Institution Leaving Certificates in original.

In case, if a student leaves after joining the Course and if the vacated seat is consequently filled by another student by the last date of admission, the Institution must refund the Fee collected after a deduction of the processing Fee of not more than Rs.1000/- (Rupees One Thousand only) and proportionate deductions of monthly Fee and hostel rent, where applicable.

The last date for withdrawal of PGDM admission for the purpose of refund of fee shall be as per the last date mentioned in the Academic Calendar.

In case the vacated seat is not filled, the Institution should refund the Security Deposit and return the original documents.

The Institution should not demand Fee for the subsequent years from the students cancelling their admission at any point of time. Fee refund along with the return of Certificates should be completed within 7 days.

6.46 Release of Security Deposit

a. Procedure

The Trust/ Society/ Company shall upload/ submit the following documents on AICTE Web- Portal for the release of the FDR/ RTGS.

- i. Application/ request letter of the Institution for FDR/ RTGS release.
 - ii. Affidavit 6 with details of the Institution and Name of the Trust/ Society/ Company, FDR/ RTGS details (as per the standard format)
 - iii. Copy of FDR to be released, in a corpus fund made by RPGF, copy(s) of the Demand Draft (if any) submitted to AICTE for creation of RPGF/ Online payment proof for Security Deposit.
 - iv. Copy of LoA /EoA (Latest).
- b. Clearance from Public Grievance Redressal Cell (PGRC), Vigilance Cell and Other Cells/Bureaus (Grants released to the Institutions) of AICTE are required for the release of the FDR.
 - c. In case of FDR/ RPGF, upon clearance from all the above, NOC shall be issued to the Institution by the Approval Bureau at AICTE.
 - d. In case of RTGS, the sanction order shall be issued by the Council.
 - e. If an Institution has any financial embezzlement with Government Bodies/ Banks, then Security Deposit shall not be released till the NOC from such body is received.
 - f. In case an Institution/ Trust/ Society/ Company violates the Security Deposit related norms, the Council shall initiate appropriate penal action.