



Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik - 422 222

6.1.2: Decentralization and Participative Management

YCMOU University has a defined hierarchy for delegation of powers and responsibilities ensuring operational autonomy at each level of working and it is very much part of university's decentralized governance system.

1. Vice Chancellor of the University:

The Vice Chancellor is the Chief Executive Officer of the university hold all powers and responsibilities for smooth functioning of the university. In order to fulfill the vision and mission of the university, the Statutory Bodies / Governing Bodies as per University act and Statutes, like Board of Managements (BoM) and Academic Council (AC), Planning Board (PB), Finance Committee (FC) have delegated all the academic and operational powers to the Vice Chancellor. Being a chairperson of statutory bodies, the Vice Chancellor formulates common working procedures and entrusts the implementation in consultation with the statutory Directors and Officers of the university and faculty members.

2. Directors of the University

The Director of Schools and head of the division are considered as vital members in decision making in day to day operations. The Vice Chancellor has delegated administrative and financial power to the Director of Schools and Head of Divisions to facilitate smooth functioning of the school and the division. All the directors and the heads of division are empowered to take appropriate decision in consistent with the rules and regulations of the university in consultation with the Vice Chancellor. Decisions are generally related to initiation of new academic program or project and revision of old academic program or course, new innovations, use of technology in operation and planning for effective implementation of the same to facilitate and enhance the teaching-learning process.

There is a School Council (SC) for each school of studies as per University Statute chaired by the Director of the concern school. Internal faculty members and external experts from other colleges and university participate in the consultations and meetings and the matters of strategic importance are discussed with equal opportunities to share their constructive suggestions / comments in respect of new programs, functioning of existing programs /value additions, or functioning of the learner support centers. The minutes of meeting of School Council are placed in the forth coming meeting of the Academic Council for the perusal and approval.

The faculty members from various Schools and Divisions of University are represented on the various statutory committees and non-statutory committees of the university and make contribution in devising, revising and implementing decision making policies for academic and administrative affairs facilitating overall growth of the University.

3. Officers of the University:

The Registrar, The Controller of Examination and The Finance Officer are the statutory officers of the university having specific powers and responsibilities on them.

The Registrar is the custodian of the university records and secretary / member secretary to various statutory bodies of university like BOM, AC, PB etc and is responsible for day to day administrative work including conduct of meetings of statutory bodies as per the schedule and the requirement.

The Controller of Examination (CoE) is responsible for all the works related to examination, Evaluation and certification including preparation of examination time table, pre-examination work, conduct of examination, post-examination work, assessment, evaluation, certification and awarding diploma and degree certificates to the distance learners in the convocation. The CoE is the secretary to the Board of Examination (BOE) and also look in to the matter of unfair means and copy cases as per the set rules and regulations of the university.

The Finance Officer (FO) is responsible for all financial matters of the university including preparation of annual budget, taking approval from the finance committee, receipt and payments, sale and purchase, maintenance of store and inventory and sign agreement for Annual Maintenance Contract (AMC) for the materials and the services in the university. The Finance Officer is the secretary to the Finance Committee and is responsible for Internal audit and External audit of the receipts and the payments made by the university during each financial year.

4. Regional Directors of the University:

Regional Centers are the extended hands of the university which plays a pivotal role in the day to day functioning of the University. The Regional Directors are responsible for the promotion and marketing of open and distance education programs of the University, monitoring of learner support centers, Student Support Services and also monitoring Term End examinations. All the Regional Centers are empowered to conduct their business for smooth functioning in consultation with the Director of Students Services Division (SSD) and the concern director of the schools/ Program Coordinator in the School. The Regional Director keeps symbiotic relation with the learner support centers in their region and strives to increase number of distance learners in the region. The Regional Directors are delegated administrative and financial powers at par with the Director of Schools.

Participative Management:

The University promotes a culture of participative decision making and management by actively involving the stakeholders in various activities at strategic, functional and operational level. The inputs received from various stakeholders of the university are reviewed and those which are in line with our university's Vision and Mission are reflected in decision making process.

As per University Statute, all the statutory bodies are constituted with the representatives from Government of Maharashtra, Government and non government institutions, universities and subject experts from various field of expertise like Education, Health, Agriculture, Industry and research to help in enriching the decision making. All newly recognized learner support centers are oriented towards open and distance learning principals, practices and methodology.

University statutory bodies such as Board of Managements (BoM), Academic Council (AC), Planning Board (PB), School Council (SC), Board of Examinations (BoE), Research Council (RC) and Program Advisory Committee (PAC) are represented from government and non-government organizations.

The University ensures higher level of participation of the teachers, academic coordinators, university Officers, non academic staff, Learner support center head, coordinators, counselors and the distance learners pertaining to feed back about program delivery, admission process, counseling system, grievance redressal mechanism and learner support services.

Following statutory committees are operational in the university for smooth functioning of the university business on day to day basis: 1. Board of Management, 2. Planning Board, 3. Academic Council, 4. School Council, 5. Board of Examination, 6. Finance Committee, 7. Building and Works Committee, 8. Grievance Redressal Committee, 9. Library Committee, 10. Purchase and Sale committee, for effective implementation and smooth working of the University.

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