



**OSMANIA UNIVERSITY
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PRESS NOTE

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RS.100 CR RUSA FUNDS FOR OU:

Osmania University has received a financial bonanza of Rs. 100 crore under the Rashtriya Uchchar Shiksha Abhiyan (RUSA), a Centrally Sponsored Scheme (CSS) of the Ministry of the Human Resource Development (MHRD) in Phase-II, which aims at promoting “quality and excellence in the State Universities.” An additional amount of Rs. 7 crore has been okayed for the UGC- Human Resource Development Centre (UGC-HRDC).

The University, is the only one to qualify for this scheme in Telangana by virtue of being accorded the NAAC “A+ “status with a score of 3.52 grade points and placed under Category-I status . The scheme is to be completed by March, 2020. 60 percent of the amount will be borne by the Centre while the State has to bear 40 percent of the finances.

The University had submitted an elaborate proposal to the MHRD on its vision and mission, the strategic frame work to achieve faculty, research excellence, good governance, enhance access equity and inclusion, expand international reach, augment distance education and promote extracurricular activities.

With the MHRD giving a green signal to the proposal, the University has its task cut out to undertake several initiatives.

The University had earmarked Rs. 20 crore for construction of a hostel for girls, washrooms for boys and girls and common rooms in six campus colleges. Further, Rs. 70 crore was proposed to be utilised for renovation and up gradation of existing facilities. These include: renovation of all heritage buildings, campus beautification, amenities, water supply and solar energy. Further, hostels would be modernized and classrooms would be technology enabled. A compound wall for the Tagore auditorium, yoga centre and up grading of play grounds were also proposed.

Procurement of new equipment and enhancement of facilities with an outlay of Rs. 10 crore were also on the agenda of the University. Under this broad head, separate gymnasias for girls and boys, running tracks, purchase of high performance computing systems, books and journals, new e-resources and packages, purchase of new laboratory equipment were included.

The funds for the UGC HRDC would be utilised for construction of a new building, up gradation of hostel/infrastructure, implementation of regular and mandatory courses and programmes on HR related and other courses for non teaching staff, research scholars

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