

## **Important Cabinet decisions**

*Lucknow, July 23, 2012*

Following important decisions were taken at a cabinet meeting chaired by the Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Mr. Akhilesh Yadav here today:

The cabinet restored the old names of eight districts. Panchsheelnagar (now Hapur), Jyotiba Phule Nagar (now Amroha), Mahamaya Nagar (now Hathras), Kanshiram Nagar (now Kasganj), Ramabainagar (now Kanpur Dehat), Prabudhnagar gets back its original name Shamli, Chhatrapati Shahujinagar (now Amethi) and Bheemnagar (Sambhal).

It is pertinent to mention here that people's representatives of these districts had been making demands to this effect for a long time.

The long standing demand made by them had pointed out they faced difficulties while spelling their names, telling identities, pointing to destinations and in getting government records made etc. So, the cabinet decided to revert back to the old names.

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### **Name of Chhatrapati Shahuji Maharaj Medical University changed to King George's Medical University**

The State Cabinet decided to amend the Uttar Pradesh Chhatrapati Shahuji Maharaj Medical University Act 2002 so that the name of Chhatrapati Shahuji Maharaj Medical University could be changed to King George's Medical University. For this the cabinet approved the draft of the Chhatrapati Shahuji Maharaj Medical University (Amendment) Ordinance, 2012.

It may be pointed out that the KGMC is acclaimed nationally and internationally and has a rich heritage of 105 years of medical education, training and research. It has produced many national and international medical luminaries and many doctors who have passed out from here are working in Canada, America, Australia, England and many other western countries.

The name KGMC is still well versed in many parts of the state and other countries. The image of the premier medical institution was affected by its name change to Chhatrapati Shahuji Maharaj Medical University and there had been requests to revert to its old name only. It may be recalled that through successive amendments it was named CSJMU. The cabinet today restored its old name.

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## **Land to be purchased and distributed free of cost to relocate families/individuals displaced by floods**

The cabinet also approved the proposal to purchase land and distribute it free of cost to relocate families/individuals displaced by floods due to change of path of rivers and severe flooding, soil erosion in areas adjacent to banks of rivers. Under the proposal land would be purchased from the nearest rural areas. The cabinet also fixed the eligibility and priority for availing the facility.

In order of preference, schedule caste/tribes, OBC, labourers, below poverty line agriculture labourers of the general category and rural artisan living on the gram sabha land will be given such land, the cabinet decided. It was also decided that affected persons/families will not be given more than 250 square metre of land, it would be free of 'lagaan' and barring SC/ST's all other beneficiaries will have to construct a house on the given land within 3 years. By not using the land for the given purpose his/her/their right on the land would be forfeited and would be taken back.

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## **Decision taken to appoint 'Shiksha Mitra' as assistant teachers at government primary schools after imparting them 2 year's training through distance learning programmes**

At the cabinet meeting chaired by the Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Mr. Akhilesh Yadav, it was decided that the untrained 'shiksha mitra' would be trained through distance learning programmes for two years and then appointed as assistant teachers in government primary schools run by the Basic Shiksha Parishad. According to the cabinet decision, as per the directives issued by the state government dated July 11, 2011 for training of the 'shiksha mitra', 1,24,000 graduate 'shiksha mitra' are proposed to be trained in two batches, the first batch of 62,000 'shiksha mitra' in July 2011 and second batch of 62,000 in July 2013.

The cabinet also approved the proposal to train the second batch in July 2012. In the same way 62,000 trained candidates would be posted in July 2013, 62,000 in July 2014 and 48,000 in July 2015. This includes the intermediate qualified 'shiksha mitra' also. The moment they achieve graduate qualification, the state government would also consider their appointment as teachers. Sanction would be taken from the National Teachers Education Council about the intermediate qualified 'shiksha mitra'.

During the training they would be identified by the first posting date of the Shiksha Mitra. Thereby meaning that the ones who have been posted in Gram Panchayats first will be kept above in the seniority list. If many 'shiksha mitra' had same date of appointment then the one having higher educational qualifications would be considered senior. If the appointment date and the educational qualifications are also the same, the date of birth

would be considered for seniority of 'shiksha mitra; and the older person would be considered senior. In this process the reservation would be duly implemented.

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**Cabinet decides to make the Teachers Eligibility Test 2011  
a qualifying examination**

**Present Basic Education (Teachers) Services Rules  
to be amended and past system to be restored**

At a cabinet meeting chaired by the Chief Minister Mr. Akhilesh Yadav at the Lal Bahadur Shastri Bhawan here today, a decision to make the Teachers Eligibility Test -2011 a qualifying exam was taken. It is pertinent to mention here that the union government conceptualized the TET as a qualifying examination. It was henceforth decided that it was in the basic spirit legally to make it a qualifying exam.

Following this order, the state government will not have to immediately hold the TET and selecting candidates qualifying the TET 2011 as teachers would be made possible. The candidates who have passed the TET 2011 for junior high school level will not be eligible for the posts of teachers under the Basic Shiksha Parishad but will instead be only eligible for vacant positions in government aided or private schools.

It is to be mentioned here that the committee formed by the state government under the chairmanship of the chief secretary had recommended to make the TET 2011 a qualifying exam. After the recommendations of this committee being accepted by the state cabinet, the basis of selection of teachers would be, as in the past, educational qualifications of the candidates and the marks he has scored at different levels.

Because of this, effect of irregularities on the selection process of the TET 2011 would be zero. After the decision of the cabinet the existing Basic Education (Teachers) Service Rules would be amended and the previous system would be restored. The press release issued for appointment recently will be cancelled and, a fresh recruitment advertisement based on the amended rules would be issued at district level and the process of appointment would be started.

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