

Government of Jammu and Kashmir Higher Education Department

Civil Secretariat, Jammu

Subject: Rationalization of major subjects in Government Degree Colleges of J&K.

Government Order No. 256 -JK(HE) of 2023 Dated: - 11 -09-2023

Whereas, NEP 2020 envisions a complete overhaul and re-energizing of the higher education system to deliver high-quality higher education, with equity and inclusion and moving towards a more multidisciplinary undergraduate education and curriculum, pedagogy, assessment, and student support for enhanced student experiences, thus calling for redistribution of subjects, independent of any combination; and

Whereas, the proposed framework of NEP favours progressive specialization in one subject as the student progresses through the degree course; and

Whereas, the main concern vis-à-vis managing the faculty and student strength while progressing towards 3rd and 4th years of UG programmes needs an immediate attention; and

Whereas, the increased number of courses of major subjects will require enhanced number of faculty members as well as infrastructure in terms of separate class rooms for each course especially after 3rd semester of the degree courses being offered under NEP from last academic session demands for rationalization of subjects; and

Whereas, the Department has approved major subjects based on the following parameters for each district which capture the delicate nature of some subjects in terms of societal outlook, presence of a subject atleast in one college in a district and gender equity:-

- i. All major subjects shall be offered in the District.
- ii. Wherever the enrollment in a Major subject is less than 40 in colleges located in Jammu/Srinagar/District head quarter and 25 in other colleges, the same is to be offered as minor subject thereby not withdrawing the subject/department but down scaling it to ensure that human resources and infrastructure requirements do not pose any major challenge in future. Depending upon future trends and departmental endeavors, the subject can regain the position of Major in subsequent years.

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iii. Any Major subject falling below 25 enrollment in a district is to be retained as major in at least one lead college of district and in case of challenge of gender equity, then one each in Boys/Girls college.



- iv. The minimum enrollment for offering a major subject in a college situated in Jammu/Srinagar/District Headquarter should be 40, however, the minimum enrollment in all other colleges should be 25 for offering a subject as major, subject to other conditions enumerated in this order.
- v. Raising the level of enrollment to minimum 80 shall be Phase-II of rationalization for ensuring smooth implementation.

- vi. All language subjects are to be retained as Major to the extent possible and shall be offered in at least one college of the District.
- vii. Rationalization is strictly based on objective analysis of data and may be taken as Part-I of exercise which will be further fine tuned and reworked in subsequent academic years as per future inputs.
- viii. Withdrawing a Major department in no way is impacting its continuation as it can be carried on, offering the subject as Minor or Multidisciplinary one.
- ix. .The applied subjects in latest vistas of Science/Arts are not attracting students which is a major concern and has been addressed.
- x . The students shall be allowed to swap major/minor subjects in the 3rd Semester and the swapping shall be as per the norms of affiliating University.
- xi. Environmental Science shall be allowed as a multidisciplinary subject by the department, particularly for those colleges offering only Arts/Humanities and where there is non-availability of multidisciplinary subjects.
- xii. There shall be hassle free migration of students among the colleges affiliated to University of Jammu / Kashmir.

Now therefore, in supersession of all previous orders issued by the Department from time to time with regard to rationalization of Major subjects, sanction is hereby accorded to the final rationalization of Major subjects in the Government Degree Colleges of UT of J&K as appended at Annexures 'A' and 'B' to this order.

By Order of the Government of Jammu and Kashmir.

Sd/-(Alok Kumar)IRS

Dated:- 11 - 09-2023

Principal Secretary to the Government Higher Education Department

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		6	Kashmiri Literature	40
		7	Political Science	160
		8	Psychology	40
		9	Sociology	160
		10	Urdu Literature	160
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		3	Education	100
		4	English Literature	60
		5	History	80
		6	Islamic Studies	60
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		9	Psychology	40
		10	Sociology	100
		11	Urdu Literature	160
44	Government Women College Kupwara	1	Botany	40
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		3	Education	160
		4	Home Science	40
		5	Islamic Studies	40
		6	Kashmiri Literature	40
		7	Political Science	160
		8	Sociology	160
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		8	Clinical Biochemistry	40
		9	Chemistry	80
		10	Commerce in Accounting And Taxation	40
		11	Economics	40
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		17	Kashmiri Literature	40
		18	Political Science	160
		19	Psychology	80
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