



SVU/R/O/2023-24/119

March 18, 2024

OFFICE ORDER

Sub: Re-constitution of University Equal Opportunity Cell (EOC) Somaiya Vidyavihar University

Ref: Earlier Office Order No. SVU/R/O/2022-23/39 dated September 2, 2022

As per the UGC Guidelines for Equitable Opportunity to the Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) in HEIs (February 2023), all HEIs shall set up Equal Opportunity Cell to ensure opportunities for inclusive, equal and quality higher education to the SEDGs students. The Equal Opportunity Cell within every HEIs shall protect the constitutionally guaranteed rights, dignity, safety, and security of all individuals belonging to the SEDGs and also ensure them equalizing access and opportunities to pursue higher education with the help of the existing statutory bodies such as SC/ST Cell and OBC Cell.

Hence, Somaiya Vidyavihar University is proposing to establish Equal Opportunity Cell (EOC) that will ensure Equitable Opportunity to the Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) in the University and its constituent HEIs/institutions.

The Objectives, Functions and Governance of EOC are as defined in Section 3 of "SVU Guidelines for Equitable Opportunity to the Socio-Economically Disadvantaged Groups (SEDGs) in HEIs" document (attached herewith).

The Equal Opportunity Cell shall have the following composition:

Sr.		Name	Role
1.	Director EOC	Dr. Prasanna Shete	Chairperson
2.	Senior Faculty Nominated by Vice Chancellor	Dr. Hindurao Waydande	Member
4.	In-charge of Internal Complaint Committee	Dr. Jyoti Joglekar	Member
5.	Director of IQAC	Dr. Ramesh Lekurwale	Member
6.	Women Representative	Dr. Manisha Gawade	Member
7.	Representative KJSIM	Dr. Shiji Lyndon	Member
7.	Representative SKSC	Dr. Seema Sambrani	Member
8.	Representative SSA	Dr. Nitin Khanvilkar	Member
9.	Representative KJSIDS	Prof. Gautam More	Member
10.	Students' Representative	Bro. Samarth Lad	Member
11.	Liaison Officer	Dr. Maushmi Kumar	Member
12.	Assistant Registrar	Mr. Dnyaneshwar Magar	Member Secretary

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- The term of office of the Cell shall be for three years.
- The Cell shall meet at least twice every Academic Year.
- The Chairperson of the Cell can call a special meeting at any time.
- The quorum for any meeting of the Cell shall be one third of its members.

Issued, as approved by the Vice Chancellor

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Prof. N.R. Gilke
Registrar