

JINNAH SINDH MEDICAL UNIVERSITY REGISTRAR OFFICE

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NOTIFICATION

With the approval of the competent authority and as directed by the HEC, a Standing Accessibility Committee is formulated for people with disabilities (PWDs) in JSMU.

This committee will be responsible for ensuring the HEC policy that is available on HEC's website.

The committee comprises of following members:

 Dr. Nazish Jaffer Assistant Professor, Pathology, SMC

Chairman

2. Dr. Rizwan Ullah Assistant Professor, SIOHS Member/Sevrelay.

3. Dr. Rahat Naz Acting Addl. Director Admin, JSMU

Member

² 4. Mr. Ahad Assistant Professor, IPS,JSMU

Member

5. Ms. Tasneem Razzak Lecturer, IOHBMSS, JSMU

Member

Prof. Dr. Saadia Akram
Acting Registrar
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- All concerned Officers
- Staff Officer to VC, JSMU
- Director QEC, JSMU



26th December 2019

Professor S.M. Tariq Rafi Founding Vice Chancellor Jinnah Sindh Medical University Karachi, Pakistan

Subject: NOWPDP offers its support for the implementation of HEC's policy regarding students with disabilities and setting up of Accessibility Committee in Higher Education Institutes (HEIs).

Dear Professor S.M. Tariq Rafi,

As you might be aware, the community of **people with disabilities (PWDs)** is one of the most marginalized communities living in Pakistan. The lack of **inclusive** and **accessible** facilities at educational institutes result in the exclusion of PWDs, which not only deprives them of **education** but also restrict opportunities of **employment**.

In order to address these issues, **Higher Education Commission of Pakistan (HEC)** has formulated a comprehensive policy for students with disabilities. The salient points of the policy are as follows: (The entire policy document can be found on HEC's website)

- (7) HEC recognizes that persons with disabilities are valuable members of the country and it is its obligation to undertake all judicious actions to enable persons with disabilities to avail the opportunities for higher education available to other students.
- (10) This policy applies to all public and private sector Higher Education Institutions of Pakistan. HEC expects all Higher Education Institutions to be aware of this policy and the related code of conduct.
- (13i) Each Higher Education Institution will establish a Standing Accessibility Committee comprising of 3-5 members from faculty, administration and student body. This Committee will be responsible for ensuring that this policy is communicated to students, faculty and staff effectively and is being implemented at their Institution in its entirety.

(13ii) The members of the Accessibility Committee will be designated by the Vice Chancellor/Rector/Head of HEI.

In order to ensure proper implementation of this policy, NOWPDP would like to offer its support and services to your university. The goal of the collaboration will be to achieve inclusivity and accessibility in Higher Education Institutions by assisting in the formation of Accessibility Committee and sensitizing the staff, administration, faculty and students on issues related to disability. Kindly give us a time to meet your team to discuss this in detail.

Yours Sincerely,

Amin Hashwani President – NOWPDP

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