Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh

Ministry of Education

Secondary and Higher Education Division

Bangladesh Secretariat, Dhaka.

Anti-fraud Policy concerning selection of candidates for Commonwealth Scholarship

As stipulated in the MoU signed with Commonwealth Scholarship Commission, the Nominating Agency of Bangladesh, namely, Secondary and Higher Education Division, Ministry of Education, Bangladesh Government, has framed the Anti-fraud Policy relating to Commonwealth Scholarship as follows:

- Applications shall be invited through advertisement in widely circulated national dailies (at least one English daily and one Bangla daily) for the Commonwealth Scholarship (Open Category);
- Circulation / Advertisement will also be uploaded in the websites of the Ministry of Education (www.moedu.gov.bd) and the University Grants Commission (UGC) of Bangladesh (www.ugc.gov.bd);
- Applications will be invited in CSC's (Commonwealth Scholarship Commission)
 prescribed form;
- 4. At the end of deadline for applications, the applicants shall be shortlisted on the basis of the eligibility criteria and academic attainment in Secondary School Certificate (SSC), Higher Secondary School Certificate (HSC), undergraduate and graduate examinations. Only top ten candidates included in the short list against each discipline shall be asked to appear before the Selection Boards at University Grants Commission of Bangladesh (UGC).
- Each Selection Board shall comprise experts, representatives from Ministry of Education and UGC and be headed by Chairman/ Member of UGC.
- 6. No one shall sit on a Selection Board in any capacity if their son/daughter /relative or any other person to who their interest may relate is scheduled to be interviewed by the same Selection Board and each member of the Selection Board shall be required to submit a declaration in the prescribed form in this regard.

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- 7. The British Council, Bangladesh shall be represented at the Selection Boards.
- 8. Any communication or personal contact with any one related to Selection Board with the intention to win favour so far the Commonwealth Scholarship is concerned shall disqualify them from being considered for selection.
- The selection Boards shall check the academic certificates and other relevant documents of every candidate during interview and be satisfied with the authenticity of the documents submitted by them;
- 10. If any information provided is found fabricated or false, his / her candidature shall be revoked.
- 11. Immediately after interview is done, each board shall finalize the selection of candidates and hand over the selection results to the Secretary, UGC to have it uploaded on the UGC website. Secretary's office shall upload the selection results on the UGC website without any delay.
- 12. Personal contact details of the selected applicants shall be protected from being published on the website;
- 13. The selected candidates will fill in the EAS form of the Commonwealth Commission and submit hard copies of it with the EAS Number to the Secretary, UGC.
- 14. University Grants Commission shall forward the list of the selected candidates to the National Nominating Agency, namely Secondary and Higher Education Division, Ministry of Education with a matrix mentioning the academic results and other performances along with evaluation marks against each of the selected names.;
- 15. All the information given in the matrix shall be thoroughly checked at Secondary and Higher Education Division, Ministry of Education;
- 16. The list of the selected candidates with necessary information shall be submitted before the Honourable Minister of Education for approval of nomination.
- 17. With the Honourable Minister's approval, the nomination shall be sent to Commonwealth Scholarship Commission.
- 18. The names of the nominees, not including their personal contact details, shall be published on the website of Secondary and Higher Education Division, Ministry of Education.

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