

Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya, Bilaspur - (C.G.)
Students' Council Election-2014
Guidelines for the Candidates

1. The Students' Council will comprise of 20 nominated members and 20 elected representatives from various School of Studies on the basis of simple majority of votes.
2. The office bearers of the council shall be elected by simple majority votes from amongst its members present and voting.
3. As per the clause 7 of the Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya Students' Council Regulations 2011 (Amended), during the period of the elections no person, who is not a student on the rolls of the departments/ school of studies established on the campus, shall be permitted to take part in the election process in any capacity. The students elections and students representations shall be completely desiccative from the political parties.
4. The candidates are advised to read clause 9 of the Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya Students' Council Regulations 2011 (Amended) carefully and ensure their eligibility before filing the Consent (Nomination) Form.
5. The Consent (Nomination) Form can be received from the Dean's office of your School of Studies, in person only, and the duly filled-in forms can be submitted to the Head's office of your department in person only.
6. **While filling the Consent (Nomination) Forms, ensure that:**
 - **The consent (nomination) form is not a downloaded copy from the university website. (The copy of the consent (nomination) form available on the university website is a sample copy for ready reference and cannot be used for filing purpose.)**
 - **Any column/prescribed space/required entry are not left blank or incomplete.**
 - **The contestant's particulars in consent (nomination) form do not differ from the data mentioned in the final voter list.**
 - **There is no strike off, cutting, over writing or use of whitener on the Consent (Nomination) Form.**
 - **The consent (nomination) form is submitted to the HoD's office within the prescribed time limit.**
 - **The proposer or seconder has not proposed more candidates than his/her voting capacity.**
 - **The proposer or seconder is a voter in the same School of Studies.**
 - **Anything extra is not written on the consent (nomination) form.**

- **An affidavit on a non judicial stamp of minimum value of Rupees 10/- (Ten only) in the prescribed format is attached along with the consent (nomination) form, as per clause 7 of the regulations.**

7. All the prescribed formats are available on the university website.

8. The **maximum permitted expenditure per candidate is Rs.5000/-**. Each candidate who has filed nomination shall, within two weeks of the declaration of the result, submit complete and audited accounts to the University. The election of the candidate shall be nullified in the event of any non-compliance or in the event of any excessive expenditure. The candidates are barred from utilizing funds from any political party or any other sources.

9. Read the **clause 11** of the regulation carefully which is about the code of conduct for candidates and election administrators. Some points of it are:

- No candidate shall indulge in, nor shall abet, any activity, which may aggravate existing differences or create mutual hatred or cause tension between different castes and communities, religious or linguistic, or between any group(s) of students.
- Candidates shall refrain from criticism of all aspects of private life, not connected with the public activities of the other candidates or supporters of such other candidates. Criticism of other candidates, or their supporters based on unverified allegations or distortion should be avoided.
- There shall be no appeal based on caste or communal feelings for securing votes. Places of worship, within or without the campus shall not be used for election propaganda/canvassing.
- All candidates shall be prohibited from indulging or abetting, all activities which are considered to be “corrupt practices” and offences, such as, bribing of voters, intimidation of voters, impersonation of voters, canvassing or the use of propaganda within 100 meters of polling stations, holding public meetings during the period of 24 hours ending with the hour fixed for the close of the poll, and the transport and conveyance of voters to and from polling station.
- **No candidate shall be permitted to make use of printed posters; printed pamphlets or any other printed material for the purpose of canvassing, candidates may only utilize hand-made posters for the purpose of canvassing, provided that such hand-made posters are procured within the expenditure limit set out herein above. Only handmade posters may be displayed at the places identified by the University authorities.**

- No candidate shall be permitted to carry out processions, or public meetings, or in any way canvass or distribute propaganda outside the University campus.
- No candidate shall, nor shall his/her supporters, deface or cause any destruction to any property of the University for any purpose whatsoever. All candidates shall be held jointly and severally liable for any destruction/defacing of any University property.
- During the election period the candidates may hold processions and /or public meetings, provided that such processions and/or public meetings do not, in any manner, disturb the classes and other academic and co-curricular activities of the University. Further, such procession/public meeting may not be held without the prior written permission of the University authorities.
- The use of loudspeakers, vehicles and animals for the purpose of canvassing shall be prohibited.
- On the day of polling, student organizations and candidates shall (i) Co-operate with the officers on election duty to ensure peaceful and orderly polling and complete freedom to the voters to exercise their franchise without being subjected to any annoyance or obstruction: (ii) not serve or distribute any eatables, or other solid and liquid consumables, except water on polling day; (iii) not hand out any propaganda on the polling day. Excepting the voters, no one without a valid pass/letters of authority from the University authorities /Any designated authority for the conduct of elections shall enter the polling booths.
- All candidates shall be jointly responsible for ensuring the cleaning up of the polling area within 48 hours of the conclusion of polling.
- Any contravention of any of the above recommendations may make the candidate liable to be stripped of his candidature, or his elected post, as the case may be. The Election Commission /University authorities may also take appropriate disciplinary action against such a violator.

10. A Grievances Redressal Cell has been constituted and notified by the university as per the clause 12 of the regulations. Any student other than the member of the cell may file a complaint with the Grievance cell, within a period of 3 weeks from the date of declaration of results. All complaints shall be filed under the name of the student filing the complaint. The Grievance cell shall act in a prescribed manner on all complaints within 24 hours after they are received by either dismissing them or calling a hearing. The decision of the Grievance cell shall stand and shall have full effect until the appeal is heard and decided by the Vice-Chancellor.

11. The elected members shall be elected by simple majority votes. In the event of two or more candidates for the same post poll the same number of votes, then the tie will be decided in the following manner.

That the candidate so interlocked by polling the same number of votes their tie will be decided by declaring elected a candidate who has obtained the higher percentage of marks in the last qualifying examination.

That the candidate so interlocked by polling the same number of votes and same percentage of marks in the last qualifying examination their tie will be decided by declaring elected a candidate who is senior in age.

12. The valid Identity Card of the voters will be the Identity Card duly issued by the Proctor. In case the Identity Card is not issued by the Proctor, then the library card issued by the Librarian of the Central Library of the University can be used as valid Identity card for voting. In the absence of the above cards, the Heads of the Departments may issue the Temporary Identity Card for the purpose of voting in the Students Council Election 2014 only. The format of the temporary Identity card will be the same as that of the card issued by the Proctor.

13. The above mentioned guidelines are in brief for quick reference of the concerned. For details guidelines and any further clarification the candidates are advised to go through the Guru Ghasidas Vishwavidyalaya Students' Council Regulations 2011 (Amended).

Chief Election Officer
GGV Students' Council Election-2014