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UGC studying feedback on draft faculty appointment norms: govt.

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The University Grants Commission (UGC) has received feedback on its controversial draft guidelines on faculty appointments. Suggestions have been made on improvements to the provisions relating to the role of Chancellors, and the constitution of the

selection committee for appointing Vice-Chancellors. The feedback is at different stages of analyses and deliberations, the Education Ministry told the Rajya Sabha on Wednesday.

Answering a question by DMK MP Tiruchi Siva, Education Minister Dharmendra Pradhan said in the Upper House that the aim of the guidelines was

to create an inclusive and multidisciplinary system.

The Ministry said that as part of the consultation process, Vice-Chancellors of Central universities from all States had been consulted. He said the regulations were designed to ensure academic excellence, while respecting the diverse educational frameworks of different States.