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Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
(Department of Higher Education)

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi,
Dated the 16th December, 2008.

NOTIFICATION

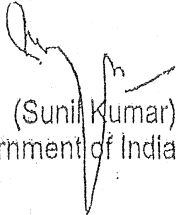
Whereas the Central Government is empowered under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission (UGC) Act, 1956 to declare, on the advice of the UGC, an institution of higher learning as a deemed-to-be-university;

2. And whereas, on the advice of the UGC, Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, Siddharthanagar, Tumkur District, Karnataka; comprising (i) Sri Siddhartha Medical College, Agalakote, Tumkur and (ii) Sri Siddhartha Dental College, Agalakote, Tumkur, was declared as an 'Institution Deemed-to-be-University' for the purposes of the aforesaid Act, vide this Ministry's notification of even number dated the 30th May, 2008, with effect from the date of disaffiliation of these two Colleges from their affiliating university, viz., Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore;

3. And whereas, the UGC has separately examined the issue of bringing Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology, Tumkur under the ambit of Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, 'Institution Deemed-to-be-University', Siddharthanagar and vide its communication bearing No.F.26-4/2007(CPP-I/DU) dated 23.09.2008 has recommended that Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology be included under the ambit of Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education as the latter's constituent unit;

4. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956, the Central Government, on the advice of the University Grants Commission (UGC), do hereby include Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology, Maralur, Tumkur (Karnataka) as an off-campus constituent teaching unit of Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, Siddharthanagar, Tumkur District, Karnataka, for the purposes of the aforesaid Act, with effect from the date on which Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology is disaffiliated from its affiliating university, viz., Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belgaum, Karnataka;

5. All the conditions that were stipulated in the Ministry's notification of even number dated 30.05.2008 and that govern the status of 'deemed to be university' conferred on Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education shall continue to be in force, and be complied with;
6. The declaration as made in para 4 above is further subject to fulfilment of the conditions mentioned at Sr. No.5 of the endorsement to this Notification;
7. Neither the Government of India nor the UGC shall provide any Plan or Non-Plan grant-in-aid to Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education or its constituent teaching units.
8. The Hindi version of this notification shall follow.


(Sunil Kumar)
Joint Secretary to the Government of India

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Copy forwarded to: -

1. The Secretary, University Grants Commission, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi - 110002.
2. The Member Secretary, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), 7th Floor, Chanderlok Building, Janpath, New Delhi - 110001.
3. The Under Secretary, (ME-P.II), Ministry of Health and Family-Welfare (Department of Health), Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi - 110011.
4. Director, Distance Education Council, Indira Gandhi National Open University, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi.
5. The Managing Trustee & President, Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, Siddharthanagar, Tumkur Taluk, Tumkur District, Karnataka - 572102. The declaration as made in para 4 of this Notification shall be further subject to compliance with / fulfillment of the following conditions:-
 - (i) The management of Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology, Tumkur should legally vest with the Trust created for the purpose of obtaining status of 'deemed-to-be-university', i.e. Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education.

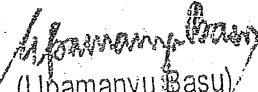
- (ii) All the moveable and immovable assets of Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology should be legally transferred and vested with Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education Trust and registered as such in the interest of future of students, members of faculty, employees and for maintaining the standards of higher education.
- (iii) The MoA/Rules/Regulations/Bye-laws of the Trust concerned should also reflect the name Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology as a constituent teaching unit of Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education.
- (iv) The academic programmes being offered or to be offered by Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology will conform to the norms and standards prescribed by the AICTE and the UGC.
- (v) Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology shall start new academic courses only as per the norms prescribed by the AICTE and the UGC, as the case may be.
- (vi) Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, as a deemed-to-be-university, shall award degrees in respect of the academic courses / programmes of Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology only to those students who are admitted to this Institute subsequent to the date of this notification. Accordingly, it shall make admission of students to courses / programmes of study conducted by Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology, under its enrolment, only with effect from the ensuing academic year (i.e. from 2009-2010).
- (vii) The academic courses/programmes of Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology that are presently not affiliated to the Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belgaum (the affiliating university) will not fall under the ambit and purview of Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education (Institution 'Deemed-to-be-University) for the purposes of admission of students and award of degrees.
- (viii) As for the students who were already admitted to Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology prior to the date of this notification, they shall continue to pursue their academic courses/programmes of study under enrolment and affiliation to the Visvesvaraya Technological University, Belgaum, which shall conduct examinations for them and award degrees to them upon successful completion of the courses/programmes of study they are pursuing at the said Institute presently.
- (ix) The degree certificates in respect of the academic courses/programmes conducted at Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology, Tumkur as a study centre of the Indira Gandhi National Open University as well as the Karnataka State Open University shall continue to be awarded by the respective Open Universities.

- (x) Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education shall take all the required steps to get all its academic courses/programmes of Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology rated for valid accreditation by the National Board of Accreditation and or by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), as the case may be, in terms of instructions issued by the UGC vide its circular No.F.6-1(7)/2008(C.P.P.) dated the 12th March, 2007.
- (xi) Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education shall take immediate steps to strengthen the research activities at Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology.
- (xii) Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology shall submit to the UGC as well as the AICTE proof of documents in respect of compliance of the deficiencies pointed out by the AICTE's Expert Committee.
- (xiii) All the prescribed norms and procedures of the AICTE in the matter of admission of students, intake capacity of students, starting of new courses/ programmes, renewal of approval to the courses, etc. will continue to be in force, and shall be adhered to by Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education.
- (xiv) Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education / Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology shall take immediate steps to implement the observations / suggestions made by the Expert Committee of the UGC, so as to rectify the deficiencies and bring about the recommended improvements.

6. The Registrar, Visvesvaraya Technological University, "Jnana Sangama", Belgaum – 590 018, Karnataka. The University is expected to take action in accordance with endorsement 5(viii) regarding the students on the rolls of Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology, Tumkur, who are presently under its enrollment, as per the 'undertaking/assurance' given by it in its letter reference No.VTU/Aca/2008-2009/A1/9331 dated 28.11.2008.
7. The Principal Secretary to the Government of Karnataka, Department of Higher Education, Government of Karnataka Secretariat, Vidhana Soudha, Bangalore-560001.
8. The Secretary to Government of Karnataka, Health & Family Welfare Department (Medical Education), Karnataka Government Secretariat, Vikasa Soudha, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Road, Bangalore – 560001.
9. Commissioner for Collegiate Education, Department of Collegiate Education, Government of Karnataka, Tantrika Shikshana Bhavan, Palace Road, Bangalore – 560 001.
10. Director of Technical Education, Government of Karnataka, Seshadri Road, Bangalore.

11. The Secretary, Sri Siddhartha Education Society, Siddharthanagara Post, Tumkur district - 572102, Karnataka.
12. The Vice-Chancellor / Registrar, Indira Gandhi National Open University, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi - 110 068.
13. The Registrar, Karnataka State Open University, Manasagangotri, Mysore - 570 006, Karnataka.
14. The Principal, Sri Siddhartha Institute of Technology, Maralur, Tumkur - 572 105, Karnataka.
15. Press Information Bureau, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
16. The Secretary-General, Association of Indian Universities, A.I.U. House, 16 Kotla Marg, New Delhi - 110002.
17. Director (Administration) & Web Master, Department of Higher Education, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi with the request to issue necessary instructions to the CMIS Unit to display this notification on the website of Department of Higher Education.

18. Guard file / Notification file.


(Upamanyu Basu)
Director