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

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi,
Dated the 30th May, 2008.

NOTIFICATION

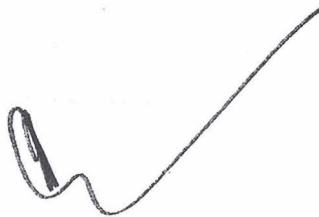
Whereas the Central Government is empowered under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission (UGC) Act, 1956 to declare, on the advice of the UGC, an institution of higher learning as a deemed-to-be-university;

2. And whereas, an application was received in June, 2006 from Sri Siddhartha Education Society, Siddharthanagar, Tumkur District, Karnataka seeking grant of status of deemed-to-be-university in the name of Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956;

3. And whereas, the University Grants Commission has examined the said proposal and vide its communication bearing No.F.26-4/2007(CPP-I/DU) dated the 14th March, 2008 has recommended conferment of status of 'deemed-to-be-university' to Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education, Tumkur, Karnataka comprising (i) Sri Siddhartha Medical College and (ii) Sri Siddhartha Dental College;


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), hereby declare that 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, shall be deemed to be a university for the purposes of the aforesaid Act, with effect from the date of disaffiliation of these two Colleges from their affiliating university, viz., Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore;

5. The declaration as made in para 4 above is subject to fulfilment of further conditions mentioned at Sr. No.6 of the endorsement to this Notification;



(Pto)

6. 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;


(Sunil Kumar)
Joint Secretary to the Government of India

The Manager,
Government of India Press,
Faridabad (Haryana).

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1. The Secretary, University Grants Commission, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi - 110002.
2. The Under Secretary, (ME-P.II), Ministry of Health and Family Welfare (Department of Health), Nirman Bhavan, New Delhi - 110011.
3. The Secretary, Medical Council of India (MCI), Pocket - 14, Sector-8, Dwarka, Phase-I, New Delhi-110075.
4. The Secretary, Dental Council of India (DCI), Aiwan-E-Galib Marg, Kotla Road, New Delhi-110002.
5. Director, Distance Education Council, Indira Gandhi National Open University, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi.
6. 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 fulfillment of the following conditions:-
 - (i) The management of Sri Siddhartha Medical College and Sri Siddhartha Dental College 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 Medical College and Sri Siddhartha Dental College should be legally transferred and vested with the Trust formed to manage the 'deemed-to-be-university' institution, 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 accounts of 'deemed-to-be-university' Institution shall be open to inspection by the UGC. There shall be no diversion of assets of the Trust / institutions without prior permission of the UGC.
- (iv) The objectives of the Trust / 'deemed-to-be-university' institution should confine to educational and related social and charitable activities. The Trust as well as the institutions concerned should not undertake or engage in any activities that are of commercial and profit making in nature.
- (v) As and when necessary, Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education shall update or revise or modify its Memorandum of Association (MoA) / Rules with the approval of the UGC. Further, specific changes/amendments, if any, suggested by the Government of India or UGC shall also be carried out in the MoA/Rules with the approval of the UGC.
- (vi) The MoA/Rules/Regulations/Bye-laws of the Trust concerned should mention the name of the teaching institutions that form part of 'Deemed-to-be-University' Institution, viz., Sri Siddhartha Medical College and Sri Siddhartha Dental College.
- (vii) The Trust concerned should maintain the corpus fund as per the norms of the UGC and the said fund should be irrevocable in nature.
- (viii) The academic programmes being offered or to be offered by the 'deemed-to-be-university' institution will conform to the norms and standards prescribed by the relevant Statutory Councils such as the UGC, MCI and DCI. It shall not award any degrees that are not specified by the UGC. It shall also ensure that the nomenclatures of the degrees, etc. to be awarded by it are specified by the UGC under Section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956.
- (ix) Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education has to take immediate steps to start doctoral programmes as also to strengthen its research programmes/activities.
- (x) Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education shall start new academic courses only as per the norms prescribed by the UGC, MCI, DCI and other Statutory Councils concerned, as the case may be.

- (xi) 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 Medical College and Sri Siddhartha Dental College, only to those students who are admitted to these Colleges subsequent to the date of this notification. Accordingly, it shall make admission of students to courses / programmes of study conducted by these two colleges, under its enrolment, only with effect from the ensuing academic year (i.e. from 2008-2009).
- (xii) As for the students who were already admitted to Sri Siddhartha Medical College and Sri Siddhartha Dental College prior to the date of this notification, they shall continue to pursue their courses of study under enrolment and affiliation to the affiliating university concerned, viz., Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore, 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 colleges presently.
- (xiii) It is not permissible for Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education to affiliate teaching institutions.
- (xiv) Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education shall take all the required steps to get all its academic courses/programmes rated for valid accreditation by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) in terms of instructions issued by the UGC vide its circular No.F.6-1(7)/2006(CPP-I) dated the 12th March, 2007.
- (xv) Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education shall not conduct any distance education programmes without prior approval of the UGC and the Distance Education Council (DEC). The guidelines issued by both the DEC and the UGC from time to time in the matter of imparting education through distance mode shall have to be complied with by it.
- (xvi) Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education shall not start and run any study centre / extension centre / *off-campus* centre / *off-shore* campus without obtaining the requisite prior approval of the UGC/ Government of India, as the case may be.
- (xvii) All the prescribed norms and procedures of the relevant Statutory Councils, such as UGC, MCI, DCI, etc. and other authorities concerned 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.



- (xviii) Sree Siddhartha Education Society and Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education Trust shall follow and abide by all the undertakings that they have submitted to the UGC in connection with and for the purpose of obtaining status under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.
- (xix) Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education shall take immediate steps to implement the observations / suggestions made by the Expert Committee of the UGC in the cases of both the Medical College and the Dental College concerned, so as rectify the deficiencies and bring about the recommended improvements.
- (xx) Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education shall abide by all the norms and guidelines as laid down by the UGC and other Statutory Councils such as MCI, DCI, etc. from time to time, as are applicable to institutions notified as 'Deemed-to-be-Universities'.
- (xxi) In all its advertisements, public notices, communications, etc., Sri Siddhartha Academy of Higher Education shall distinctly mention under its nomenclature by inserting (within brackets) a line, which shall read: "*Declared as Deemed-to-be-University' under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956*".
7. The Registrar, Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, 4th 'T' Block, Jayanagar, Bangalore – 586 041, Karnataka. The University is expected to take action in accordance with endorsement 6(xii) regarding the students on the rolls of Sri Siddhartha Medical College, Agalakote, Tumkur and Sri Siddhartha Dental College, Agalakote, Tumkur, who are presently under its enrollment, as per the 'undertaking/assurance' given by it in its letter No.AUTH/UGC/DU/SSMC-Tumkur-254/2007-08 dated 25.02.2008,
8. The Principal Secretary to the Government of Karnataka, Department of Higher Education, Government of Karnataka Secretariat, Vidhana Soudha, Bangalore-560001.
9. The Secretary to Government of Karnataka, Health & Family Welfare Department (Medical Education), Karnataka Government Secretariat, Vikasa Soudha, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar Road, Bangalore – 560001.
10. Director of Medical Education, Ananda Rao Circle, Bangalore – 560009.
11. The Secretary, Sri Siddhartha Education Society, Siddharthanagara Post, Tumkur district – 572102, Karnataka.
12. The Principal, Sri Siddhartha Medical College, B.H. Road, Agalakote, Tumkur District, Karnataka – 572 107.

13. The Principal, Sri Siddhartha Dental College, B.H. Road, Agalakote, Tumkur – 572107, Karnataka.
14. Press Information Bureau, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
15. The Secretary-General, Association of Indian Universities, A.I.U. House, 16 Kotla Marg, New Delhi - 110002.
16. ✓ 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. A soft copy of this notification is being *e-mailed* to the CMIS unit for this purpose.
17. Guard file / Notification file.

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