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By E-Mail/Post

No.F.1-5/2023(CPP-I/DU)

Dated: December, 2023

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The Vice Chancellor,
Vel's Institute of Science,
Technology & Advanced
Studies (VISTAS),
Pallavaram, Chennai,
Tamilnadu

Subject **Extension/ continuation of Deemed to be Universities status** – regarding.
Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith the Notification No. 12-25/2023-U.3(A) dated 24.11.2023 issued by Ministry of Education regarding extension of Deemed to be University status of your Institute with effect from the date of expiry of status i.e. 03.06.2013.

According to the clause 7 of the above said Notification, you are requested to follow the rules and regulations regarding fee structure, number of seats, etc. issued by the relevant statutory bodies with immediate effect. Your institution should conform to the standards set in the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2023 within the time limit prescribed in the said regulations. All other conditions mentioned in the Notification No.9-56 /2004-U.3 dated 04.06.2008 issued by the Ministry of Education as well as the rules/regulations of UGC and other Statutory Councils, issued from time to time, shall continue to be adhered to by the Institution.

Yours faithfully,


(Jitendra)
Deputy Secretary

(TO BE PUBLISHED IN THE GAZETTE OF INDIA PART-I SECTION-1)

Government of India
Ministry of Education
Department of Higher Education
ICR Division

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-01,
Dated: 24th November, 2023

NOTIFICATION

No.12-25/2023-U.3(A) – Whereas, the Central Government is empowered under section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 to declare, on the advice of the UGC, an Institution of higher learning as an Institution deemed to be University.

2. **And whereas**, in exercise of the powers conferred by section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956, the Central Government, on the advice of UGC, had declared the following Institutions as Institutions deemed to be Universities for a certain period, as under :–

Sl No.	Name of Institution deemed to be University	Notification No. and Date	Validity of deemed to be University status up to
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
1.	Central Institute of Buddhist Studies, Choglamsar, Leh, Ladakh	No.9-5/2001-U3(A) dated 15.01.2016	14.01.2021
2.	Central Institute of Technology, Kokrajhar, Assam	No.9-1/2016-U3(A) dated 13.12.2018	12.12.2023
3.	Indian Association for the Cultivation of Science (IACS), Jadavpur, Calcutta, West Bengal	No.9-7/2017-U.3(A) dated 08.05.2018	07.05.2023
4.	International Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore, Karnataka	No.9-3/2003-U.3 dated 28.02.2005	27.02.2010
5.	Academy of Maritime Education and Training, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	No.9-19/2005-U.3 dated 21.08.2007	15.11.2020
6.	BLDE, Bijapur, Karnataka	No.9-37/2007-U3(A) dated 29.02.2008	15.11.2020
7.	Chennai Mathematical Institute, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	No.9-64/2005-U.3 dated 15.12.2006	30.06.2020
8.	Chettinad Academy of Research and Education, Kancheepuram, Tamil Nadu	No.9-48/2006-U3(A) dated 04.08.2008	15.11.2020
9.	Chinmaya Vishwavidyapeeth, Ernakulam, Kerala	No.9-4/2015-U.3(A) dated 16.01.2017	15.01.2022
10.	Christ, Bangalore, Karnataka	No.9-34/2007-U3(A) dated 22.07.2008	01.12.2021
11.	D.Y. Patil, Nerul, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra	No.9-21/2000-U.3 dated 20.06.2002	30.06.2020

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(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)
12.	I.I.S, Gurukul Marg, Mansarovar, Jaipur, Rajasthan	No.9-6/2008-U3(A) dated 02.02.2009	30.06.2020
13.	Jain, Bangalore, Karnataka	No.9-57/2007-U3(A) dated 19.12.2008	30.06.2020
14.	JSS Academy of Higher Education and Research, Mysore, Karnataka	No.9-9/2003-U.3 dated 28.05.2008	15.08.2023
15.	Kalasalingam Academy of Research and Higher Education, Virudhunagar, Tamil Nadu	No.9-2/2002-U.3 dated 20.10.2006	15.11.2020
16.	Kalinga Institute of Industrial Technology, Bhubaneswar, Orissa	No.9-49/2001-U.3 dated 16.02.2004	30.06.2020
17.	Kalinga Institute of Social Sciences, Bhubaneswar, Orissa	No.9-14/2011-U.3(A) dated 25.08.2017	24.08.2022
18.	Karpagam Academy of Higher Education, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu	No.9-24/2004-U.3 dated 25.08.2008	30.06.2020
19.	Karunya Institute of Technology and Sciences, Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu	No.9-3/2000-U.3 dated 23.06.2004	24.05.2021
20.	MGM Institute of Health Sciences, Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra	No.9-21/2005-U3(A) dated 30.08.2006	30.06.2020
21.	Nehru Gram Bharati, Allahabad, Uttar Pradesh	No.9-42/2005-U.3 dated 27.06.2008	26.06.2011
22.	Noorul Islam Centre for Higher Education, Kanyakumari, Tamil Nadu	No.9-51/2004-U.3 dated 08.12.2008	30.06.2020
23.	Ponnaiyah Ramajayam Institute of Science and Technology, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu	No.9-14/2004-U.3 dated 04.01.2008	30.06.2020
24.	Shobhit Institute of Engineering and Technology, Meerut, Uttar Pradesh	No.9-37/2004-U.3 dated 08.11.2006	30.06.2020
25.	SRM Institute of Science and Technology, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	No.9-9/98-U.3 dated 02.08.2002	15.08.2023
26.	St. Peter's Institute of Higher Education and Research, Avadi, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	No.9-62/2005-U.3 dated 26.05.2008	25.05.2013
27.	Vel's Institute of Science, Technology and Advanced Studies, Chennai, Tamil Nadu	No.9-56/2004-U.3 dated 04.06.2008	03.06.2013
28.	Koneru Lakshmaiah Education, Greenfields, Kunchanpalli Post, Guntur	No. 9-42/2006-U.3 (A) dated 20.02.2009	20.02.2024

3. **And whereas,** the functioning of these Institutions were reviewed by the UGC with the help of its Expert Committee in accordance with UGC (Institutions deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2023 (the "IDTBU Regulations, 2023" hereafter) regarding extension of the status of the institution as deemed to be university under clause 6 of the said regulations.

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4. **And whereas**, the Expert Committee recommended for extension of their deemed to be University status.
5. **And whereas**, the report of the UGC Expert Committee was considered and approved by the Commission in its 574th meeting held on 3rd November 2023.
6. **Now, therefore**, on the advice of UGC, the Central Government, in exercise of the powers conferred under section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956, hereby extends the deemed to be University status of the above Institutions with effect from the date of expiry of status provided in column (4) of Table at paragraph 2.
7. All the institutions shall follow the rules and regulations regarding fee structure, number of seats, etc. issued by the relevant statutory bodies with immediate effect. All the institutions should conform to the standards set in the IDTBU Regulations, 2023 within the time limit prescribed in the said regulations. All the other conditions mentioned in the earlier Notification(s) of this Ministry as well as the rules / regulations of UGC and other Statutory Councils, issued from time to time, shall continue to be adhered to by these Institutions.

पुनरुदु कलशु डुनु
24 Nov 2023

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The Manager,
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Copy forwarded to:-

1. The Secretary, University Grants Commission, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi.
2. The Vice-Chancellors of respective Institutions.
3. The Principal Secretary (Higher Education Department), of respective State Governments.
4. The Secretaries of all Statutory bodies.
5. Press Information Bureau, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. The Secretary General, Association of Indian Universities, AIU House, 16, Kotla Marg, New Delhi-2.
7. Web Master, Department of Higher Education, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. It is requested that CMIS Unit may kindly be instructed to display the Notification on the website (Home site) of the Department.
8. Guard file / Notification file.

AKS
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No. F.9-56/2004-U.3
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
(Department of Higher Education)
U.3(A) Section

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-1,
Dated the 4th June, 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 a university.

2. And whereas, a proposal was received for grant of status of deemed-to-be-university to Vel's Group of Colleges promoted by Vel Institute of Science and Technology Trust, Chennai.

3. And whereas, the University Grants Commission have examined the said proposal and vide their communication No.F.6-4/2005 (CPP-I) dated the 19th May, 2006 have recommended that Vel Institute of Science Technology and Advanced Studies, Chennai be declared as deemed to be a university under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956.

4. Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956, the Central Government, on the advice of the University Grants Commission (UGC), hereby declare Vel's Institute of Science, Technology and Advanced Studies (VISTAS), Pallavaram, Chennai, Tamil Nadu, comprising the following teaching institutions, as deemed to be a university' for the purpose of the aforesaid Act, provisionally for a period of five years with effect from the date of disaffiliation of the three Institutions mentioned below from the respective affiliating universities, namely, University of Madras, Chennai and the Tamil Nadu Dr. M.G.R. Medical University, Chennai, subject to a condition that the status conferred upon the VISTAS will be reviewed after five years by the UGC with the help of an Expert Committee.

- (i) Vel's College of Science, Chennai
- (ii) Vel's College of Pharmacy, Chennai, and
- (iii) Vel's College of Physiotherapy, Chennai.

The status conferred upon the VISTAS shall be confirmed only on the basis of the performance report of UGC's Expert Review Committee and the recommendations of the UGC thereon.

5. This declaration made in para 4 above is also subject to further conditions mentioned at Sr. No. 7 of the endorsement to this notification.

6. Neither the Government of India nor the University Grants Commission shall provide any Plan or Non Plan grant-in-aid to Vel's Institute of Science, Technology and Advanced Studies (VISTAS) or any of its constituent units.


(Sunil Kumar)
Joint Secretary to the Government of India

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Government of India Press,
Faridabad (Haryana).

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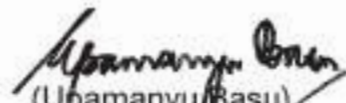
1. The Secretary, University Grants Commission (UGC), Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi - 110002. UGC Shall ensure that the review that is required to be conducted as per this notification, is held sufficiently in advance, so that a decision on the continuation or otherwise of the status is enabled soon after the expiry of the stipulated five-year period.
2. The Member Secretary, All India Council for Technical Education, 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. The Registrar-Cum-Secretary, Pharmacy Council of India, Combined Councils' Building, Kotla Road, Aiwan-E-Ghalib Marg, Post Box No.7020, New Delhi - 110002.
5. The General Secretary, The Indian Association of Physiotherapists, Flat No.9, 'E' Block, Sneham Apartments, No.3, Park Road, Chennai - 600050.

6. The Director General of Shipping, Directorate General of Shipping, Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport and Highways, "Jahaz Bhavan", Walchand Hirachand Marg, Mumbai-400001.
7. The Chairman, Vel's Institute of Science, Technology and Advanced Studies (VISTAS), Velan Nagar, P.V. Vaithiyalingam Road, Pallavaram, Chennai – 600117, Tamil Nadu. The declaration as made in para 4 of this Notification will be subject to the following conditions:-
 - (i) The activities, operations and functions of the two trusts, viz., Sri Balaji Charitable and Educational Trust and Vael's Educational Trust shall be amalgamated and merged as resolved by the Trustees concerned, so that all the moveable and immoveable assets of the three teaching institutions mentioned in para 4 of this notification shall come under the total control and management of the VISTAS in the interest of future of students, members of faculty, employees and for maintaining the standards of higher education. The By-laws/Rules of the VISTAS should clearly specify the names of these institutions.
 - (ii) The VISTAS should submit a legal undertaking as per the instructions of the UGC pertaining to the issues of earmarking of assets, non-diversion of assets without prior approval of UGC and making a provision in the MoA/Rules for the UGC to take control of assets, etc. of the institutions concerned in the event of winding up of or dissolution of the deemed-to-be-university. The VISTAS shall also implement and execute this undertaking immediately.
 - (iii) Neither the Deemed-to-be-University institution nor the Trust that will be managing it, shall undertake or engage in any activities that are of commercial and profit making in nature. The objectives of the VISTAS should be confined only to educational and other social / charitable activities.
 - (iv) Vel's Academy of Maritime Studies, Vael's Institute of Business Administration and Vel's Institute of Hotel Management that are presently under Vel's College of Science will lose their individual identities and start functioning as departments.
 - (v) The accounts of the VISTAS Trust / 'deemed-to-be-university' Institution shall be open to inspection/audit by the UGC also. Suitable provisions in this respect shall also be provided in the MoA/Rules of the VISTAS Trust in consultation / agreement with the UGC. There shall also be no diversion of assets of the Trust / Institution concerned without prior permission of the UGC.

- (vi) The Trust concerned should maintain the corpus fund as per the norms of the UGC. The corpus fund should be irrevocable in nature for which VISTAS shall furnish necessary undertaking to this effect to the UGC.
- (vii) All the prescribed norms and procedures of the relevant Statutory Councils and other authorities such as the Directorate General of Shipping, Ministry of Shipping, as the case may be, in the matter of admission of students, approval to courses of study, intake capacity of students, renewal of approval to the academic courses, starting of new courses/programmes, etc. will continue to be in force, and shall be adhered to by the VISTAS.
- (viii) The VISTAS, as a deemed-to-be-university, shall award degree, etc. in respect of the courses conducted by the Institutions mentioned in para 4 above, only to those students who are admitted to these institutions subsequent to the date of this notification. Accordingly, the VISTAS shall make admission and enrolment of students to the academic courses of these institutions under it only with effect from the ensuing academic year (i.e. from 2008-2009).
- (ix) As for those students who were already admitted by the Institutions mentioned in para 4 above, prior to the date of this notification, they shall continue to pursue their courses of study under the respective affiliating universities concerned, viz., 'University of Madras', Chennai and the 'Tamil Nadu Dr. M.G.R. Medical University', Chennai, which shall conduct examinations for them and grant degrees to them upon successful completion of the courses / programmes of study they are pursuing at these institutions presently.
- (x) The academic programmes offered or to be offered by the VISTAS will conform to the norms and standards prescribed by the relevant Statutory Councils such as the UGC, AICTE, etc. any other relevant authority. The VISTAS shall not offer / award any degrees that are not specified by the UGC. It shall also ensure that the nomenclatures of the degrees to be awarded by it are specified by the UGC under Section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956.
- (xi) The VISTAS should take all the required steps to get itself rated for valid accreditation by the National assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) / National Board of Accreditation, as the case may be, in terms of the instructions issued by the UGC vide its circular No.F.6-1(7)/2006(CPP-I), dated the 12th March, 2007.

- (xii) VISTAS shall not conduct any distance education programmes without prior approval of the UGC and 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 have to be complied with by it.
- (xiii) VISTAS shall not affiliate any teaching institutions / colleges.
- (xiv) VISTAS shall not open and run any study centre / off campus centre / off shore campus without obtaining the requisite prior approval of the UGC, DEC and the Central Government, as the case may be. The guidelines issued by both the DEC and the UGC from time to time in the matter of imparting education through distance mode have to be complied with by it.
- (xv) Suggestions and recommendations of the UGC's Expert Committee as made out in its respective report pertaining to upgradation of infrastructure, including strengthening of labs in the College of Science, development of the research profile of its faculty, etc. should be complied with by the VISTAS so as to rectify deficiencies, if any, to bring about the recommended improvement.
- (xvi) As and when necessary, the VISTAS shall modify / amend and update its Memorandum of Association (MoA) & Rules in consultation and in concurrence with the UGC. Specific changes/amendments, if any, suggested by the Government of India or the UGC shall also be carried out by the VISTAS in its MoA/Rules.
- (xvii) The VISTAS shall fulfil and comply with all the procedural requirements as stipulated in its Trust Deed with respect to the amendments already made to the Trust Deed and to be made, if any in future.
- (xviii) The VISTAS and its constituent teaching units will abide by the norms and guidelines laid down by the Statutory Councils such as UGC, AICTE, Pharmacy Council of India, etc. and any other relevant authority, and the instructions issued by the them from time to time that may pertain to the institutions notified as Deemed-to-be-Universities.
- (xix) In all its advertisements, public notices, communications, etc., the 'deemed-to-be-university' institution 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*".

8. Vice-Chancellor, University of Madras, Centenary Buildings, Chepauk, Triplicane, P.O., Chennai – 600005, Tamil Nadu. The University is expected to take action in accordance with Endorsement 7(ix) regarding students already enrolled with it at the Vel's College of Science, Chennai, as per the assurance given by it vide its No Objection Certificate dated 12.03.2007.
9. The Vice-Chancellor, The Tamil Nadu Dr. M.G.R. Medical University, Post Bag No.1200, No.69, Anna Salai, Guindy, Chennai – 600032. The University is expected to take action in accordance with Endorsement 7(ix) regarding students already enrolled with it at the Vel's College of Physiotherapy, Chennai and Vel's College of Pharmacy, Chennai, as per the assurance given by it to the Trust concerned vide its certificate dated 07.02.2007.
10. Secretary, Higher Education Department, Government of Tamil Nadu, Secretariat, Fort St. George, Chennai – 600009, Tamil Nadu.
11. Director, Distance Education Council, Indira Gandhi National Open University, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi.
12. Press Information Bureau, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001
13. The Secretary-General, Association of Indian Universities, A.I.U. House, 16, Kotla Marg, New Delhi - 110002.
14. Director(Administration) & Web Master, Department of Higher Education, Shastri Bhavan, 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.
15. Guard file / Notification file.


(Upamanyu Basu)
Director