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**CIRCULAR**

**Subject: Validity/Authenticity of Technical Qualifications obtained through Open & Distance Learning (ODL) Method.**

The matter related to validity/authenticity of technical qualification/Degrees obtained through Open & Distance Learning (ODL) Method was in pendency & subjudice for a long period of time. In the related matters, various claim & counter claims were being received through individuals/various Hon'ble Courts/ CAT seeking addition of such technical qualification in service record and to get consequent benefits.

Now, on the basis of Departmental Committee's opinion/findings dated 04.09.2017 and further judgment dated 03.11.2017 given by Hon'ble Supreme Court in the matter of SLP No.17869-17870/2017, 19807-19808/2012, 35793 - 35796 and other linked SLPs, it is, hereby circulated for information & necessary action of all the concerned officials as well as DDOs/Controlling Officers that ;

1. As per the judgment, technical qualifications/Degrees in Engineering/Technology being provided by all the Deemed to be Universities/Institutes through Distance Learning without the approval of AICTE/Concerned Authorities has been declared as suspended OR stands recalled & treated as cancelled. However, the SLPs were against the Universities/Institutes i.e. (i) JRN Rajasthan Vidyapeeth University (Udaipur), (ii) IASE Gandhi Vidya Mandir (Sardarshahr, Rajasthan), (iii) AAI (Allahabad Agriculture Research Institute, Allahabad (U.P.), and (iv) VMRF (Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation, Sale, Tamil Nadu).
2. All such technical qualifications/Degree in Engineering granted to students who were enrolled during the academic year 2001 to 2005 shall stand suspended till they pass such examination under the joint supervision of AICTE - UGC in the manner indicated hereinafter. Further, every single advantage on the basis of that degree shall also stand suspended. The AICTE has been directed to devise within one month from the date of Judgment modalities to conduct appropriate test/ tests both in written examination as well as in practical for the concerned students admitted during the academic session 2001 -2005 covering all the concerned subjects. The choice may be given to students to appear at the examination which ideally should be conducted during May-June, 2018 or on such dates as AICTE may determine.

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Not more than two chances will be given to concerned students and if they do not pass the test/tests their degrees stand recalled and cancelled. Any promotion or advancement in career on the basis of such degree shall also stand withdrawn, however, any monetary benefits or advantages in that behalf shall not be recovered from them". If the students clear the test/tests within the stipulated time, all the advantages/ benefits shall be restored to them and their degrees will stand revived fully.

3. The students admitted on the strength either provisional recognition or on the strength of interim orders passed by High Court after the *Academic Sessions 2001 -2005, the degrees in Engineering awarded by the concerned Deemed to be Universities through distance education mode stand recalled and be treated as cancelled*. Any benefits which a candidate has secured as a result of such degrees in Engineering in the nature of promotion or advancement in career shall also stand recalled. However, if any monetary benefit was derived by such candidates that monetary benefit or advantage will not be recovered by the concerned department or employers".

In view of the above judgment, the following directions are issued hereunder for strict compliance by to all the concerned:

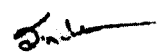
1. DDOs/Controlling Officers are directed to identify such Officers/Officials from their service record who have obtained such technical qualifications and are availing its consequent benefits, if any, and immediately furnish the detail report of the same along with relevant documents to the concerned Administrative Sections. Necessary entries may also be made in the Personnel file & service book of individuals.
2. All the Administrative Sections i.e. AC(T)/AC(D)/AC(B)/AC(G)-I/II are also directed to identify such officials on the basis of administrative record and take necessary action accordingly.
3. The officers/officials concerned may also take necessary action under intimation to respective Administrative offices along with relevant/supporting documents, through their DDOs.
4. For any further clarification, said judgment may be referred on the web of Supreme Court of India.
5. This circular may be given wide publicity amongst the staff of DJB.

All DDOs/Controlling Officers

  
(SANDEEP GULATI)  
ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER (T)  
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