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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 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, vide its Notification No.9-34/2007-U3(A) dated 22.07.2008, on the advice of UGC, had declared Christ College (Autonomous), Bangalore, Karnataka as an Institution deemed to be University in the name & style of 'Christ University' for the provisional period of five years. Further, pursuant to the direction of Hon'ble Supreme Court, the name of 'Christ University' has been changed to 'Christ' by deleting the word 'University' from its name. Subsequently, on the advice of UGC, the Central Government, vide its Notification No. 9-34/2007-U3(A)Pt.1 dated 08.06.2018, extended the deemed to be University status to Christ, Bengaluru upto 30.06.2019 with certain conditions.

3. **And whereas**, Christ, Bengaluru, Karnataka submitted an application on 15.02.2018 for starting of an Off-Campus Centre at Lavasa (Pune), Maharashtra. The application was forwarded to UGC for examination and advice as per the provisions of the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016.

4. **And further whereas**, UGC constituted an Expert Committee for on the spot assessment of the infrastructure and other facilities available at the proposed Off-Campus Centre. Simultaneously, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE) also constituted an Expert Committee to visit the proposed Off-Campus. Both the Committees visited the Institute on 26-27th October, 2018. The Commission, in its 537th meeting held on 10.12.2018, considered the reports of Expert Committees and recommended that Letter of Intent (LoI) may be issued to the Christ (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru for starting of an Off-Campus Centres at Lavasa (Pune), Maharashtra subject to the compliance of the suggestions given by UGC and AICTE Expert Committee.

5. **And whereas**, the Institution deemed to be University submitted compliance report w.r.t. suggestions given by the Expert Committee. After perusal of the Compliance report in the Ministry, it has been noted that the Institution deemed to be University has recruited the required number of faculty and created the infrastructure for the proposed Courses, however, the requisite approval of the AICTE and Bar Council of India (BCI) for Management and Law Courses is yet to be obtained.

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6 . **And further whereas,** taking into consideration the enforcement of Model Code of Conduct, the matter was referred to the Election Commission of India (ECI) for their concurrence /approval. Election Commission of India conveyed its NOC subject to the following conditions:

- i. Absolutely no publicity in this regard in electronic, print, radio, internet or any other media, in any form whatsoever.
- ii. No political functionary shall make any reference in this regard during any public speech or communication to the press or public.
- iii. These restrictions on publicity will be applicable to the Central Government as well as the State Governments concerned.
- iv. The relevant provisions of Model Code of Conduct issued by the Commission shall be strictly followed.

7 . **Now, therefore,** in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956, the Central Government, taking into account the advice of the UGC, hereby permit Christ (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru, Karnataka for starting of an Off-Campus Centre at Lavasa (Pune), Maharashtra with the following three Departments:

- i. Department of Economics
- ii. Department of Psychology
- iii. Department of Commerce

8. The permission given in Para 7 above is further subject to the following conditions:

- i. This declaration shall be effective from the academic year 2019-20 provided that the status of Deemed to be University of Christ, Bengaluru is extended beyond 30.06.2019.
- ii. Christ (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru shall start Courses in the fields of Management & Law at the Lavasa (Pune), Maharashtra Campus only after approval of the respective Statutory Councils.
- iii. The over-all performance of Lavasa Off-Campus shall be monitored by the Commission biennially for six years and subsequently as per the provisions of the existing Regulations and whose directions on management, academic development and improvement shall be binding on the Constituent Institution.
- iv. All the earlier conditions that were stipulated in this Ministry's Notifications shall be adhered to by the Institution deemed to be University.
- v. The entire moveable and immovable assets/properties as well as the existing manpower of the Lavasa Campus shall be registered in the name of Christ (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- vi. There shall be no diversion of assets or funds/revenues of the Institution Deemed-to-be-University/or of its Off-Campus(es), without prior permission of the UGC.
- vii. Christ (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru, Karnataka as well as its Off-Campus(es) shall not engage or indulge in any activities that are of commercial and profit making in nature.

- viii. The academic programmes offered/to be offered at the Off-Campus(es) of the Institution deemed to be University shall conform to the norms and standards prescribed by the UGC and other Statutory Councils concerned.
- ix. The Institution deemed to be University shall take appropriate steps to commence research programmes as well as doctoral and innovative academic programmes at all its Off-Campuses.
- x. All the prescribed norms and procedures of the UGC and other Statutory Councils concerned in the matter of admission of students, intake capacity of students, renewal of approval to the academic course / programme, revision of intake capacity of students, starting of new courses / programmes, etc. shall continue to be in force, and shall be adhered to by Christ (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru, Karnataka and its Off-Campus(es).
- xi. As and when necessary, Christ (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru, Karnataka shall update or revise or modify its Memorandum of Association (MoA) / Rules in accordance with the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2016, as amended from time to time.
- xii. Christ (Deemed to be University), Bengaluru, Karnataka shall adhere to the instructions of the UGC as contained in the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2019, as amended from time to time.


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1. The Secretary, University Grants Commission, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi.
2. The Vice-Chancellor, Christ (Deemed to be University), Hosur Road, Dharmamaram College Post, Bengaluru - 560029, Karnataka.
3. The Principal Secretary to the Government of Karnataka, Department of Higher Education, Government of Karnataka Secretariat, MS Buildings, Dr. B. R. Ambedkar Veedi, Bangalore-560001. As per the instructions of the ECI, there shall be no publicity in this regard in electronic, print, radio, internet or any other media, in any form whatsoever by the State Government and no political functionary shall make any reference in this regard during any public speech or communication to the press or public.
4. The Principal Secretary, Department of Technical & Higher Education, Government of Maharashtra, 4th Floor, Mantralaya Annex, Madam Cama Road, Nariman Point, Mumbai - 400032. As per the instructions of the ECI, there shall be no publicity in this regard in electronic, print, radio, internet or any other media, in any form whatsoever by the State Government

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5. The Member Secretary, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070.
6. The Member Secretary, National Council for Teacher Education (NCTE), Hans Bhawan, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002.
7. The Secretary, Bar Council of India (BCI), 21, Rouse Avenue, Institutional Area, New Delhi-110002.
8. Press Information Bureau, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
9. The Secretary General, Association of Indian Universities, AIU House, 16, Kotla Marg, New Delhi-2.
10. Web Master, Department of Higher Education, Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi. It is requested that CMIS Unit may kindly be instructed to display the Notification on the website (Home site) of the Department.
11. Guard file / Notification file.

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