F. No. 10-2/2013 (CPP-I/DU)  

The Vice-Chancellor  
Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management (GITAM),  
(Deemed to be University)  
Gandhinagar Campus, Rushikonda,  
Visakhapatnam – 530 045,  
Andhra Pradesh.

Subject: Proposal for starting GITAM Institute of Medical Sciences and Research in the main campus of the Deemed to be University – ‘In-principle No Objection’ – regarding.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. GU/GIMS&R/7/2013 dated 27th July, 2013 on the subject cited above, I am directed to convey the ‘in-principle No Objection’ of the University Grants Commission for starting ‘GITAM Institute of Medical Sciences and Research’ in the main campus of the Deemed to be University subject to the following conditions:

1. This ‘in-principle No Objection’ shall not be construed as permission of the UGC.

2. This ‘in-principle No Objection’ is granted as required by the Medical Council of India.

3. The Deemed to be University shall submit a formal proposal to the Government of India (MHRD) for starting ‘GITAM Institute of Medical Sciences and Research’ in its main campus in the format prescribed by the UGC after the approval of Medical Council of India and Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (Government of India).

4. UGC shall examine the proposal in accordance with the provisions contained in the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2010.

5. Final decision for inclusion of ‘GITAM Institute of Medical Sciences and Research’ under the ambit of the Deemed to be University would be taken by the Government of India (MHRD).

6. The Deemed to be University shall not admit student(s) to its courses in ‘GITAM Institute of Medical Sciences and Research’ before final notification is issued by the Government of India (MHRD) for inclusion of the Institute under the ambit of the Deemed to be University.

Yours faithfully,

(P.K. Sharma)  
Under Secretary
F.No. UGC/DEB/GU/AP/2015/99

The Vice Chancellor
Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management
Gandhi Nagar Campus, Rushikonda,
Visakhapatnam-530045,
Andhra Pradesh

Sub: Continuation of recognition for offering programmes in Open & Distance Learning (ODL) mode for academic year 2015-16 - reg.

Sir/Madam,

Reference is invited to your letter no. GU/UGC/DEB/736/2015 dated 05.06.2015 vide which a letter of intent and a fresh affidavit duly sworn in has been forwarded to this office. UGC vide its letter no. UGC/DEB/GU/Recog./AP/2014/7512-7516 dated 9th June, 2014 had conveyed its approval to your University for offering programmes under distance learning mode during the session 2014-15. In this regard, I am directed to inform that the UGC vide its 505th meeting vide item no. 2.03 held on 22nd December 2014 decided to maintain the status quo about recognition of the programmes, under distance education mode, during the academic session for 2015-16. Accordingly, the recognition accorded to your University, vide the above said letter of UGC, is hereby continued for the academic year 2015-16. Your University may therefore continue to offer the programmes in ODL mode, which are currently on offer, as per list of programmes attached with the Affidavit dated 06.06.2015 of the University (Copy enclosed).

2. The university shall scrupulously abide the following terms and conditions, while offering the programmes through distance learning mode during the session 2015-16 in accordance with the Affidavit dated 06.06.2015, duly notarised and signed by Sri M. Potharaju, Registrar of the University, submitted to the commission vide letter dated 05.06.2015 :-

i) The University shall offer only those programmes through Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode, which are approved by the statutory bodies of the University as per norms and also by UGC and wherever necessary by the apex regulatory bodies in the country.

ii) It is the responsibility of the University to follow the norms prescribed by the concerned regulatory body/ies such as UGC, AICTE, NCTE/any other and also seek its/their prior approval, wherever required.
iii) The University shall not start any new programme without prior approval of UGC and other concerned regulatory authorities in anticipation of recognition.

iv) The nomenclature of all the programmes to be offered under distance mode shall be strictly as per UGC/AICTE Regulations.

v) No teacher education programme shall be offered without prior approval of the NCTE.


vii) The programmes in Engineering and Technology e.g. B.E/ B.Tech/ Diploma and courses in Medicines/ Nursing/ Physiotherapy etc. are not allowed and the University/Institution will not be offering the same.

viii) The university shall refrain from offering such programmes that are not allowed to be offered, through distance mode by the respective apex body/ies.

ix) No online programme leading to award of Degree/ Certification shall be offered by the University/Institution, until a policy is framed and approved by UGC in this regard.

x) The minimum duration of a programme offered in ODL mode shall not be less than the minimum duration of similar programme offered through the regular mode.

xi) The University shall run its ODL programmes only in those subjects/ fields which are offered by it through regular mode.

xii) The university shall have at least one full time faculty member exclusively for coordinating each programme at the headquarters.

xiii) The eligibility conditions for admissions to each course to be offered through distance learning mode shall be as per norms of UGC/AICTE and other regulatory bodies.

xiv) The territorial jurisdiction in respect of University for offering programmes through distance mode will be as per the policy of UGC on territorial jurisdiction and opening of off campuses/centres/study centres as mentioned in the UGC notification No.F.27-1/2012(CPP-II), dated 27th June 2013, a copy of which is also posted on the UGC website www.ugc.ac.in/deb.

xv) The programmes in distance mode will not be offered through franchising arrangement and/or through any private institution/college.

3. Moreover, the University shall not offer any M.Phil/Ph.D Programme through distance learning mode in compliance to clause 5 of the UGC (Minimum Standard and Procedure for awards of M.Phil./Ph.D Degree), Regulation 2009.

4. The Institution’s management of the distance education programmes will be open for review and inspection by the UGC. The academic norms of the programmes shall be under monitoring by the concerned regulatory authorities.

5. Your University is required to send, a list of the programmes that will be offered, through distance mode, during 2015-16, duly authenticated by the Registrar of the University.
6. It may also be noted that:

i) If the institution fails to comply with the conditions of recognition for which the Affidavit, as mentioned above has been submitted or if it is found conducting affairs in a manner that leads to deterioration of academic standards, the UGC may withdraw its recognition.

ii) In case any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the University/institution is found to be false or fake at a later stage, the recognition of University/institution shall be withdrawn and the University/Institution concerned shall be solely responsible for the career consequences, if any arising out of the same.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Pankaj Mittal)
Joint Secretary

Encl: as above

Copy to:

1. The Director / Registrar, Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management, Gandhi Nagar Campus, Rushikonda, Visakhapatnam-530045, Andhra Pradesh
2. The Principal Secretary, Higher Education, Govt of Andhra Pradesh
3. The Member Secretary, AICTE, 7th floor, Chanderlok building, Janpath, New Delhi 110001
4. The Member Secretary, National Council for Teacher Education, Hans Bhawan, New Delhi
5. The Joint Secretary (TEL), MHRD, Govt of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. Publication Officer (Web), UGC for updating website.

(R.L.S Bhardwaj)
Section Officer, DEB
List of programmes currently on offer by GITAM University through distance mode

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(M. POTHARAJU)
REGISTRAR
F. No. 1-5/2010 (CPP-I)

The Vice-Chancellor / Director
Gandhi Institute of Technology and Management (GITAM),
Gandhi Nagar Campus, Rushikonda,
Visakhapatnam – 530 045,
Andhra Pradesh.

Subject: Granting of 12(B) status to deemed to be universities to declare them fit to receive central assistance.

Sir,

The University Grants Commission in its 472nd meeting held on 27th September, 2010 while considering the issue for granting the 12(B) status to deemed to be universities to declare them fit to receive central assistance, inter-alia decided as under:-

(i) *Deemed to be Universities, which are receiving salary and maintenance grants from M/HRD, Government of India (GOI), may be awarded 12(B) status if they fulfill the eligibility criteria. They would also be eligible to receive grants from UGC.*

(ii) *Deemed to be Universities, which are receiving salary and maintenance grants from a government source other than M/HRD, GOI, may be awarded 12(B) status if they fulfill the eligibility criteria. They may be considered for financial assistance from UGC subject to availability of funds.*

(iii) *Self Financing Deemed to be Universities, which are partially funded by the State or Central Government in the form of salary and maintenance grants, may be awarded 12(B) status if they fulfill the eligibility criteria. They may be considered for financial assistance from UGC subject to availability of funds.*

(iv) *Self Financing Deemed to be Universities, which are not receiving salary or maintenance grants from the government but are receiving some grant for any other purpose from the State or Central Government, may be awarded 12(B) status if they fulfill the eligibility criteria. They may be considered for financial assistance from UGC subject to availability of funds.*
(v) Self Financing Deemed to be Universities, which are not receiving grants from any purpose from the State or Central Government, may be awarded 12(B) status if they fulfill the eligibility criteria. However, they would not be eligible to receive any grants from UGC.

(vi) All Deemed to be Universities, public or private, which are presently receiving grants from UGC shall continue to do so as per present terms and conditions.

A copy of the UGC (Fitness of Certain Universities for Grants) Rules, 1974 along with the format is enclosed for your information and necessary action, if any.

Yours faithfully,

(Swasti Raman)
Under Secretary
3.1. UGC (Fitness of Certain Universities for Grants) Rules, 1974

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Government of India
Ministry of Education & Social Welfare
(Department of Education)

New Delhi, the 9th Sep., 1974.

NOTIFICATION

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 25 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956) read with Section 12-A now read as 12-B of that Act, the Central Government hereby makes the following rules, namely:-

1. Short title, application and commencement:

   (1) These rules may be called the University Grants Commission (Fitness of Certain Universities for Grants) Rules, 1974.

   (2) They shall apply to every university established after the commencement of the University Grants Commission (Amendment) Act, 1972 (33 of 1972), other than,

      (i) an agricultural university,

      (ii) a university established against the advice of the Commission for imparting, exclusively, technological or medical education; and

      (iii) an institution recognised by the Commission, under the clause (i) of Section 2 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956), on or after the 17th day of June 1972, the date on which the University Grants Commission (Amendment) Act, 1972 (33 of 1972) came into force.

   (3) They shall come into force on the date of their publication in the Official Gazette.

2. Fitness for Grant — "No University to which these rules apply shall be declared to be fit to receive grants from the Central Government the University Grants Commission or any other Organisation receiving any funds from the Central Government unless the Commission is satisfied that:
(i) the University is a University established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, or

(ii) in the case of any other University, the establishment of the University is justified on one or more of the following grounds, namely:-

(a) inadequacy of the facilities for higher education and research in the area in which the University is situated and the inability of the existing University or Universities of the state concerned to provide for such facilities either in its or their existing faculties or schools or by the establishment of post-graduate centres or campuses.

(b) the University has or shall have some special features or new, programme and activities which will augment the existing academic resources in the country.

(c) the University has or shall have programmes for the upliftment of backward areas or removal of regional imbalances.

(iii) the law under which the University is established contains a provision for the establishment of a Planning Board or Commit-tee consisting of eminent educationists to indicate the lines on which the University shall develop.

(iv) in the law under which the University established, due weight has been given to the recommendations made by:-

(a) the Education Commission (1964-66) constituted by a resolution of the Government of India;

(b) the Committee on the Governance of Universities appointed by the Commission; and

(c) the Committees of Panels appointed by the Commission during the last ten years:

(v) the University is not merely an affiliating University but a multifac-ulty University having adequate facilities, for teaching and research in a number of subjects.

(vi) the university has powers to provide instruction through correspondence courses and to declare a college, department, centre or campus as an autonomous college, department, centre or campus, respectively.

(vii) every teaching department, centre, discipline in the University has a provision for a minimum staff of one Professor, two Reader and an adequate number of lecturers along with the necessary supporting staff.

(viii) adequate machinery for the health residence and welfare for the students has either been provided in, or resources are being made available for the purpose to the University;
(ix) the university has been provided with adequate facilities in respect of building, equipment, books, library, hostel and staff quarters, excluding colleges library or institutions affiliated or admitted to its privileges, whose aggregate value is not less than Rs. 2 crores along with the developed land. The State Government is prepared to give an assurance to the Commission that a minimum amount of Rs. 2 crores shall be made available to the University during the initial period of five years for the provision of the above mentioned facilities in addition to the developed land.

Sd/-
(I.D.N. Sahi)
Secretary to the Government of India

The Manager,
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Sd/-
(M.N. Sinha)
Under Secretary
PROFORMA

1. Name of the University

2. Date of Year of establishment

3. Whether any amendment proposed by the UGC in the Act. If so, it has been carried out by the State Government and if not status thereto

4. Details of infrastructural facilities:

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ii) Equipments
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iv) Position of teaching posts

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Status of the un-filled posts

5. Other infrastructural facilities available:

6. Details of Post-Graduate courses started present in take

7. Any special features of innovation

8. Any other relevant information

(Signatures of authorised officer of the University)