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ABSTRACT

Higher Education - M.Phil. and Ph.D. degrees obtained through correspondence / Distance Education / Open University System declared as ineligible for appointment - Orders - Issued.

Higher Education (K2) Department

G.O. (Ms) No:91

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Letter (Ms) No:268, Higher Education (K2) Department, dated 29.8.2006.

ORDER:-

During the meeting of the Vice-Chancellors of Universities under the aegis of Higher Education Department held on 21.6.2006 under the Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister for Higher Education, the Vice-Chancellors have informed that no Ph.D. programme is available in Distance Education. Since the UGC has done away with acquiring of SLET / NET qualification for Ph.D and M.Phil candidates, it has become essential to improve the quality of M.Phil / Ph.D. course. To strengthen this, it was suggested that from the academic year 2007-2008 onwards, M.Phil / Ph.D. programme may not be offered through Distance Education and the same will be offered only in regular courses.

2. Based on the decision taken in the meeting, the Government in Letter (Ms) read above, directed all the Universities under the aegis of Higher Education Department that M.Phil / Ph.D. courses should not be offered through distance education from the academic year 2007-2008 and they should be offered only in the regular stream.

3. The Government have now examined the matter in detail and hereby declare that the M.Phil and Ph.D degrees obtained through the Correspondence / Distance Education / Open University System are ineligible for Government appointments and appointment as Lecturers in Colleges / Universities including self-financing colleges.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

K.GANESAN

Principal Secretary to Government.

- To
- The Registrars of all Universities.
 - The University Grants Commission, New Delhi.
 - The All India Council for Technical Education, New Delhi.
 - The Distance Education Council, New Delhi.
 - The Director of Collegiate Education, Chennai-6.
 - The Principal Secretary / Commissioner of Technical Education, Chennai-25.
 - The Secretary, Tamil Nadu Public Service Commission, Chennai-2.
 - All Sections in Higher Education Department,
 - Personnel and Administrative Reforms Department, Chennai-9.
 - All Head of the Departments.

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Section Officer.
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