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## NOTIFICATION

No.10/13/2018-U.3(A) - Whereas, University Grants Commission (UGC) had notified the UGC (Categorization of Universities (Only) for Grant of Graded Autonomy) Regulations, 2018. The Regulations provide for dimensions of autonomy to Category -I & Category -II Institutions deemed to be Universities. In order to give effect to the above autonomy, UGC defined the procedure for starting off-campus centres by Category-I & Category-II deemed to be Universities. As per the procedure, the Category-I Institutions deemed to be Universities may submit applications in requisite format alongwith the requisite processing fee to Ministry of Education either for Letter of Intent (LoI) in case where Off-Campus Centres are proposed to be established or for approval of Off-Campus in case the Centres are already established.

- 2. **And whereas**, Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies (NMIMS), Mumbai, being Category-I Institution, submitted applications to this Ministry on 31.07.2018 seeking approval for its existing Off-Campus Centres at Shirpur, Bangalore and Mahabubnagar (Hyderabad). These applications were forwarded to UGC for examination and advice.
- 3. **And further whereas**, considering the advice of UGC, the Ministry issued Letter of Intent (LoI) to NMIMS, Mumbai with certain conditions in respect of all three Off-Campus Centres at Shirpur (04.10.2019); Bangalore (24.10.2019) and Mahabubnagar (28.05.2020). In the meanwhile, UGC notified the UGC (Institutions deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2023. Clause 8 (7) of the Regulations provide that on the basis of the advice of the Expert Committee, the Commission shall render its advice to the Government to consider the approval of any such off-campus which was operating before the commencement of these regulations on a case-to-case basis, and to validate the degrees of each programme for the passed-out students, if they fulfil the basic eligibility conditions required for starting the off-campus centre. Accordingly, UGC was asked to consider the matter as per UGC Regulations, 2023 and furnish its advice to this Ministry.
- 4. **And whereas**, UGC, vide its letter No. 30-5/2018 (CPP-I/DU) dated 06.08.2024, informed that UGC examined the Off-Campuses matters of NMIMS, Mumbai through an Expert Committee in accordance with Clause 8(7) of the UGC Regulations, 2023. The Expert Committee recommended that ex-post facto approval for the off-campus of

NMIMS, Mumbai at Bangalore, Shirpur and Mahabubnagar and validation of the degrees awarded to the students admitted may be considered if the deemed to be University rectifies the deficiencies mentioned in the report of the Expert Committee.

- 5. **And whereas,** Ministry, vide its letter dated 14.08.2024, requested UGC to obtain the compliance of the deficiencies mentioned in the report of the Expert Committee and thereafter furnish its advice to the Ministry.
- 6. **And further whereas**, UGC, vide its letter No. 30-5/2018 (CPP-I/DU) dated 23.10.2024, informed that the compliance report submitted by the Institution was placed before the Expert Committee for consideration. The Expert Committee accepted the compliance report submitted by the Institution. The recommendations of the UGC Expert Committee were considered and approved by the Commission in its 584th meeting (Item No. 2.11) held on 03.10.2024.
- 7. **Now, therefore**, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956, the Ministry of Education, on the advice of UGC, hereby accords ex-post facto approval to Narsee Monjee Institute of Management Studies (Deemed to be University), Mumbai, Maharashtra for starting Off-Campuses at Shirpur, Bangalore and Mahabubnagar duly validating the such degrees of admitted/passed students which have been started with approval of the respective Statutory Councils, if any.
- 8. All 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 by NMIMS, Mumbai.

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- 4. The Principal Secretary, Department of Technical Education, Government of Telangana, 2nd Floor, Vidya Bhavan, Opp. to Latha Talkies, Nampally, Hyderabad 500 001.
- 5. The Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Government of Karnataka, Secretary Establishment, Higher Education Dept., 2nd Gate, 6th Floor, M.S.Building, Bengaluru, Karnataka.
- 6. The Member Secretary, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070.
- 7. Press Information Bureau, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
- 8. The Secretary General, Association of Indian Universities, AIU House, 16, Kotla Marg, New Delhi-2.
- 9. 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.

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