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To,
The Vice Chancellor,
University of Calicut,
Malapuram District,
Kerala - 673635.

**Sub : Withdrawal of recognition of Distance Education programmes
from University of Calicut, Kerala.**

Sir,

Please refer to this office letter No.UGC/DEB/UC/MAL/KRL/2013/7339-7343 dated 4th June, 2014 vide which University of Calicut, Malappuram, Kerala was given continuation of recognition for offering programmes through Open & Distance Learning (ODL) mode for academic year 2014-15. The University was also requested to submit an affidavit that it agrees to and abide by all terms & conditions of the recognition letter and submit a list of programmes. Despite considerable delay and repeated reminders from this office, no reply is received.

On 25.11.2014, the Secretary, Deptt. of Higher Education, Kerala with copy to Registrar of University of Calicut & Director/Distance Education of the University were asked by UGC to close down all off campus/study centres outside the state but no compliance is received from the University. The University of Calicut, Kerala was again directed vide letter dated 12.3.2015 by this office to abide by all the directions given by UGC to close down all off campus study centres located outside Kerala & abroad in violation of UGC Policy and submit action taken report & affidavit within 7 days. In case the University fails, the recognition accorded to the University of Calicut, Kerala for the academic year 2014-15 may be withdrawn.

It is seen from the decision of the Syndicate of the University meeting held on 17.1.15, attached with the reply dated 21.3.15 received from Calicut University that University is still not willing to abide by the territorial jurisdiction policy of UGC. The affidavit submitted on 21.3.2015 was also neither on stamp paper nor notarised.

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As per the judgement rendered on 20.12.2014 in the Writ Petition (C) 9779/2014 filed by Dr. Godwin Samraj before the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in which UGC is a respondent, UGC has been directed to. "initiate proceedings for the withdrawal of the recognition of the University for running course by Distance Education as per conditions regarding territorial jurisdiction mentioned in the letter dated 04.06.2014 already issued to the Vice Chancellor of the Calicut University"

Since the University has repeatedly failed to abide by the directions given by UGC, and in view of directions given by Hon'ble High Court of Kerala on 20.12.2014, the action for withdrawal of recognition was initiated and the matter was placed before the Distance Education Committee in its 6th meeting held on 14th May, 2015 & 7th meeting on 20th July, 2015. The Committee after going through the directions given by Hon'ble High Court of Kerala, on 20th December, 2014, the decision of the Syndicate dated 17th January, 2015, amendment proposed in the Calicut University Act for distance education and also considering the fact that the University has repeatedly failed to abide by the directions given by the UGC, decided that the recognition given to the University for distance education programme be withdrawn and no further extension to the University be considered till it fulfils all conditions of the UGC and submits an affidavit stating that it shall follow all guidelines/directions issued by the UGC for distance education programmes.

Accordingly, **the approval given earlier for offering programmes through Distance mode is withdrawn with immediate effect.** Any distance education programme conducted by your university shall not be recognised for any purpose from this period.

Yours faithfully,


(Renu Batra)

Joint Secretary

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2. The Director, Directorate of Distance Education, University of Calicut, Malapuram District-673635, Kerala.
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