UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India - 695034
(Established as University of Travancore by the Travancore University Act in 1937 and reconstituted as University of Kerala by the Kerala University Act of 1957 and presently governed by the Kerala University Act of 1974 passed by the Kerala State Legislative Assembly) (Re-accredited by NAAC with 'A' Grade)

AcB II/02/CCTV/2016

Dated 25/01/2017

From
The Registrar

To
The Director of College Education
Directorate of Collegiate Education
6th Floor, Vikas Bhavan
Vikas Bhavan P.O
Thiruvananthapuram-695033

Sub: Improving quality of Education in Colleges affiliated to University of Kerala- reg

Ref: 1) UO No.AcBII/02/2016 dated 31/03/16
2) Letters dated 06/04/16,11/07/16 and 5/9/16 to Principals/Managers of affiliated colleges of University of Kerala.
3) Letter to your office dated 29/04/16,16/07/16 and 8/9/16

Sir / Madam,

I am forwarding herewith the UO and letter dated 16/01/17 for information and further action.

Yours faithfully

Deputy Registrar (Acad I)
For Registrar

All Government aided Colleges affiliated to Kerala University under this department is directed to strictly comply with the directions mentioned in the University Order appended herewith.

Dated 15.2.17
From
THE REGISTRAR

To
The Principals/Managers of Affiliated Colleges of University of Kerala

Sub: Improving Quality of Education in Colleges affiliated to University of Kerala-reg

Ref: 1. UO No: AcBII/02/2016 dated 31.03.2016
2. This office letters of even number dated 06/04/2016, 11/07/2016 and 05/09/2016
3. Minutes of the Meeting of the Syndicate held on 23/12/2016, Item No. 23.17.16

Sir/Madam,

Adverting to the above, I am to inform you that vide reference cited (3) above, the Syndicate resolved to issue a reminder to those colleges who have not complied with the directions as per the UO No: AcBII/02/2016 dated 31.03.2016.

You are therefore requested to submit a report on the implementation of the instructions in the UO cited (1) above, especially those regarding the installation of CCTV cameras at the places specified, on or before 08.02.2017 without fail.

Yours faithfully,

Deputy Registrar (Acad I)
For Registrar
Improving Quality of Education in colleges affiliated to the University - directives from the Hon'ble Chancellor, Government of Kerala and Hon'ble High Court of Kerala - smooth functioning of Colleges and Hostels and strict conduct of examinations, evaluation and installation of CCTV cameras in examination centres - Sanctioned - Orders issued

Academic 'BII' Section

No. Ac.BII/02/2016 Dated, Thiruvananthapuram 31.03.2016

Read: 1. DO Letter No.GS.5-1200/14 dated 29.11.2014 from the Secretary to Governor.
2. Minutes of the meeting of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examinations and Students' Discipline held on 4.8.2015 (item 9).
4. Judgment dated 20.10.2015 in WP(C) 30612 of 2015 (B).

The conference of the Vice Chancellors of Universities in Kerala held on 27 October 2014 inter alia discussed the need for proper regulatory intervention for ensuring quality education in self financing institutions under the Universities. It was directed to adopt appropriate methods for the improvement of the quality of education in self financing institutions in terms of stricter evaluation of the conduct of examinations, valuations including installation of CCTV Cameras in Examination Centres.

A proposal in tune with the above directive of the Honourable Chancellor was placed before the Standing Committee of the Syndicate on Examination and Students Discipline at its meeting held on 4.8.2015 and the Committee recommended to accept the proposal. The Vice Chancellor approved the recommendations in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 10(13) of the Kerala University Act 1974.

The Higher Education (B) Department, Government of Kerala, vide circular read as (3) above issued a set of guidelines/regulations for the smooth functioning of the campus and hostels, wherein it was instructed to install CCTV Cameras in selected places such as entrance/exit gate of the colleges and the hostels.

The Hon'ble High Court of Kerala vide judgment read as (4) above directed that the circular dated 12.10.2015 issued by the State Government shall be strictly enforced by all the colleges affiliated to the Universities.
In the circumstances enumerated above, sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to give effect to the directives of the Hon'ble Chancellor, the State Government and the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala as follows:

1. All Colleges affiliated to the University shall install CCTV Cameras in the examination halls/rooms and selected common places such as entrance/exit of colleges and hostels.

2. The process of installation of CCTV Cameras shall be completed before June 30, 2016 and a report on the completion of installation shall be submitted to the Registrar on or before July 5, 2016.

3. The recorded video footages shall be preserved for a minimum period of six months.

4. A copy of the recorded footage of the examination halls/rooms shall be made available to the Controller of Examinations after the completion of each examination schedule.

5. The Controller of Examinations shall verify the video footage scrupulously and ensure that the examinations were conducted in a foolproof manner, before publishing the results.

6. If any irregularity/malpractice/negligence in the conduct of examinations is reported/noticed, the Controller of Examinations shall verify the video footage and report the matter to the Vice Chancellor forthwith for further action.

7. The Educational Agencies applying for new colleges/courses from the academic year 2016-17 shall submit a declaration to the effect that CCTV cameras have been installed in the Examination Halls/Ro0ms and in the entrance/exit of the Colleges and Hostels and the inspection team that verifies the infrastructural and instructional facilities in these institutions shall specify in their report whether the CCTV cameras have been installed.

Orders are issued accordingly.

Sd/-
Deputy Registrar (Acad I)

For Registrar

To,

1. The Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department with C/L.
2. PS to VC/PVC
3. PA to Registrar/CE/FO/DPD/DCDC
4. The Managers and Principals of all Affiliated Colleges with C/L
5. IQAC
6. SDC/M&C/Legal Section
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