GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract
Higher Education Department-Student Entrepreneurship Scheme-Award of grace marks and attendance-Guidelines-Orders issued.

HIGHER EDUCATION (B) DEPARTMENT

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ORDER

Government have announced the rollout of its flagship Student Entrepreneurship Scheme as per the GO read above to encourage entrepreneurship among the students in Kerala. This scheme has attracted wide appreciation and has become a model for other States in the country.

As per the GO, each entrepreneur is eligible for attendance relaxations upto 20% and grace marks upto 4% spread across semesters, based on the following guidelines.

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<th>SI No</th>
<th>Stages</th>
<th>Grace Marks (Max 4%)</th>
<th>Attendance (Max 20%)</th>
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<td>Ideation Stage</td>
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<td>Prototype(working model) for Technology based firms</td>
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Now it has come to the notice of Government that the student entrepreneurs find it difficult to avail the benefit of grace marks and attendance since the Universities have not incorporated the Scheme in their Regulations.

Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to issue orders prescribing the following course of action till such time as Regulations are made suitably by the Universities.

1. The respective Technology Business Incubator (TBI) to which the student entrepreneur is attached shall forward the certificate showing the grace marks and attendance of the student entrepreneur to the concerned Principal of the College.
2. On receipt of the same, the Principal shall forward the certificate to the Registrar of the University concerned duly recommended.
3. On receipt of the same, the University shall provide the eligible grace marks and attendance to the student entrepreneur for the semester for which the grace marks is applicable.

All the Universities which have not incorporated the scheme announced by Government into their Regulations may follow these procedures until the the University introduces the grace mark scheme for entrepreneurship in their Regulations to ensure that student entrepreneurs can avail of this benefit without any hindrance.

(By order of the Governor)

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Additional Chief Secretary to Govt.

To

All the Vice Chancellors of Universities in Kerala.
The Director of Technical Education, Thiruvananthapuram.
The Director of Collegiate Education, Thiruvananthapuram.
All the Principals of Engineering Colleges/Arts & Science Colleges/Polytechnics.
The Chief Executive Officer, Technopark TBIC, Thiruvananthapuram/Start Up Village
The Higher Education(D,F,G,J,L)Department.

Forwarded / By Order

Section Officer