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**SPEED-POST**

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The Registrar,  
Kerala University of Digital Sciences Innovation and Technology,  
Technocity Campus,  
Kuracode, Mangalapuram,  
Thonnakkal P.O, Thiruvananthapuram- 695317,  
Kerala.

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Subject: Establishment of Kerala University of Digital Sciences Innovation and Technology, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala - regarding

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.KUDSIT/06/AdA1/2021 dated 10.11.2021 and in suppression of this office letter of even number dated 17.02.2021 on the above subject, I am directed to say that Kerala University of Digital Sciences Innovation and Technology, Technocity Campus, Kuracode, Mangalapuram, Thonnakkal, P.O Thiruvananthapuram-695317, Kerala has been established with effect from 01.07.2020 by the Act No.10 of 2021 notified vide Notification No.1118/Leg.I2/2020/Law dated 30.10.2021 by State Government of Kerala as a State University and is empowered to award degrees as specified by the UGC under section 22 of the UGC Act 1956, by conducting courses through its own departments, its constituent colleges and/or through its affiliated colleges in regular mode with the approval of concerned statutory bodies and Statutory councils, wherever it is required. The name of the University has been included in the list of Universities established as per section 2(f) of UGC Act, 1956 maintained by the UGC on its website [www.ugc.ac.in](http://www.ugc.ac.in).

The University shall operate only within the territorial jurisdiction allotted to it under its Act and in no case beyond the territory of the State of its location. The University is not allowed to start any off-campus centre beyond the territorial jurisdiction as provided in the Act and under no circumstances beyond the State of its location, as per the Hon'ble Supreme Court Judgment in Prof. Yash Pal vs. State of Chhattisgarh case.

The University may note and adhere to the following -

- (i) To ensure that no off campus centre(s)/study centre(s) is opened beyond the territorial jurisdiction of the University as stipulated in the Act and in no case beyond the territory of the State.

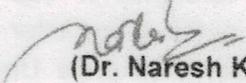
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- (ii) To ensure that no programmes should be offered through franchising arrangement with private institutions.
- (iii) To ensure that no study centre(s) are opened through franchises by the University.
- (iv) In case the university has already started any off-campus/study centre and the centre operating through franchises outside the State, it must be closed immediately.
- (v) No Open and Distance Learning programmes and on-line programmes shall be started without the prior recognition of UGC. Relevant UGC Regulations are available on the UGC website [www.ugc.ac.in](http://www.ugc.ac.in).
- (vi) M.Phil/Ph.D programmes can be conducted as per the provisions of UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Awards of M.Phil/Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2016.
- (vii) The University is required to follow all the UGC Regulations notified and available on UGC website [www.ugc.ac.in](http://www.ugc.ac.in).

Please find enclosed a copy of UGC (Fitness of Certain Universities for Grants) Rules, 1974. The detailed information in the prescribed format (attached) may please be sent to this office for considering the proposal to declare University fit to receive Central assistance under Section 12(B) of UGC Act, 1956.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Dr. Naresh Kumar Sharma)  
Under Secretary

**Encl: As above.**