

MAHARSHI DAYANAND UNIVERSITY, ROHTAK

(A State University established under Haryana Act No. 25 of 1975) NAAC Accredited 'A' Grade

	No.CB-8/Complaint-17/17/	
	Dated:	
То	The Principal/Director, All the Engineering Colleges, Affiliated with M.D.U. Rohtak.	1112/17
Sub:	Regarding suspension of distance degree earned in the field Technology as per the judgment of Supreme Court of India 19808 of 2012 decided in November 2017.	
Sir/Madam,		
The Supreme Court of India in SLP No.19807-19808 of 2012 has given judgment at Sr. No.47 & 48 that the AICTE has to conduct a test (Written as well as Practical) of the Students who had taken admission during the academic sessions 2001 to 2005 in deemed to be Universities during May and June 2018 or on such dates as AICTE may determine. Therefore, a copy of page No.107 to 109 of the said judgment is being sent to you for information and taking action according to the judgment of the SLP under reference at the earliest under intimation to this office. Further, the complete judgment of Supreme Court of India in SLP No.19807-19808 of 2012 is available at its website, the same may be consulted if feel necessary.		
Yours faithfully,		
DA/as a	above. Su	perintdent (Colleges) For D.C.D.C.
Endst. No.CB-8/Complaint-17/17/ 17579 Dated 1-12-17		
Copy of the above is forwarded to the Director, University Computer Center (U.C.C.), M.D.U. Rohtak to upload the same on the University website.		
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	Super	rintendent (Colleges) For D.C.D.C.

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the manner indicated hereinafter. Further, every single advantage on the basis of that degree shall also stand suspended.

The AICTE is directed to devise within one month from the date of 47. this judgment modalities to conduct appropriate test/tests both in written examination as well as in practicals for the concerned students admitted during the academic sessions 2001-2005 covering all the concerned subjects. It is entirely left to the discretion of AICTE to come out with such modalities as it may think appropriate and the tests in that behalf shall be conducted in the National Institutes of Technology in respective States wherever the students are located. The choice may be given to the students to appear at the examination which ideally should be conducted during May-June, 2018 or on such dates as AICTE may determine. Not more than two chances be given to the concerned students and if they do not pass the test/tests their degrees shall stand recalled and cancelled. If a particular student does not wish to appear in the test/tests, the entire money deposited by such student towards tuition and other charges shall be refunded to that student by the concerned Deemed to be University within a month of the exercise of such option. The students be given time till 15th of January, 2018 to exercise such option. The entire expenditure for conducting the test/tests in respect of students who wish to undergo test/tests shall be recovered from the concerned Deemed to be Universities by 31.03.2018. If they clear the test/tests within the stipulated time, all the advantages or benefits shall be restored to the concerned candidates. We make it clear at the cost of repetition that if the concerned candidates do not clear the test/tests within the time stipulated or choose not to appear at the test/tests, their degrees in Engineering through distance education shall stand recalled and cancelled. It goes without saying that any promotion or advancement in career on the basis of such degree shall also stand withdrawn, however any monetary benefits or advantages in that behalf shall not be recovered from them.

48. As regards the students who were admitted after the ex-post-facto approval granted in favour of such Deemed to be Universities, in our view, there was no sanction whatsoever for their admission. The Policy Statements as well as warnings issued from time to time were absolutely clear. The students were admitted on the strength either provisional recognition or on the strength of interim orders passed by the High Court. We therefore, declare that in respect of students admitted after the academic sessions of 2001-2005, the degrees in Engineering awarded by the concerned Deemed to be Universities through Distance Education Mode shall stand recalled and be treated as cancelled. Any benefit which a candidate has secured as a result of such degrees in Engineering in the nature of promotion

or advancement in career shall also stand recalled. However, if any monetary benefit was derived by such candidates that monetary benefit or advantage will not be recovered by the concerned departments or employers. We, further direct that the entire amount paid by such students to the concerned Deemed to be Universities towards tuition fee and all other expenditure for such courses through distance education learning shall be returned by the concerned Deemed to be Universities to the respective students. This direction shall be complied with by the concerned Deemed to be Universities scrupulously and the amounts shall be returned by 31st of May, 2018 and an appropriate affidavit to that extent shall be filed with UGC within a week thereafter.

49. The factual narration mentioned hereinabove makes certain things distinctly clear. The affidavit of Mr. Ved Prakash discloses how permissions were granted to introduce courses in the present cases without any authority. On one hand, the authorities were proclaiming their policy statements and on the other, despite there being complaints, they went about granting permissions. Their conduct and approach is difficult to explain on any rational basis and leaves much to be desired. We are, prima facie of the view that the conduct of the concerned officials needs to be looked into and investigated whether the exercise of power by them was completely genuine

