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UNIVERSITY OF DELHI

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No.CB.II/COA/AUD/2022/197

15<sup>th</sup> November, 2022

The Principal,  
College of Arts,  
20-22, Tilak Marg,  
New Delhi-110001

Sir,

This refers to the University letters of even no. dated 02.02.2022, 18.02.2022, 28.02.2022 & 19.04.2022 addressed to the College of Arts and the Government of NCT of Delhi categorically conveying therein that the University of Delhi being a Central Affiliating University shall continue exercising control over College of Arts in letter and spirit of provisions of the Act, Statutes and Ordinances of the University and accordingly admissions in the courses shall continue to be done under the academic umbrella of the University of Delhi.

2. In this regard, your kind attention is invited to the WPC (PIL) No. 6739/ 2022 titled *Sh. Rahul Thakur Versus 1) The Lt. Governor, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, 2) Govt. of National Capital Territory of Delhi Through its Chief Secretary, 3) Delhi University, 4) College of Arts, & 5) Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar University*. The Petitioner requested for the following prayer:

*"Issue appropriate writ of mandamus to respondents to recall/drop/withdraw the proposal for merger of College of Arts, 22-22, Bhagwan Dass Lane, Tilak Marg Mandi House, New Delhi, specifically Resolution dated 02.03.2021 of Cabinet of Govt. of N.C.T. of Delhi, pending approval before the Lt. Governor, Delhi."*

3. Whereas while hearing the above-mentioned WPC (PIL), the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi vide interim order/ arrangement dated 28.04.2022 ordered as under:

*"The grievance is, admissions were not granted for the academic session 2021-22 and also have not been granted for the current session, i.e. 2022-23."*

*Prima-facie, we find this position to be unacceptable. Merely because the process of merger/ affiliation of College of Arts, New Delhi with the Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University, Delhi is pending, is no reason to deny admissions to the students in the courses being run by the said College of Arts on account of administrative delays in the finalization of the said merger."*

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4. Whereas the said WPC (PIL) has been now disposed of vide Hon'ble High Court order dated 27.10.2022, the operative para's are reproduced below:

*"3. At this juncture, learned Counsel for the Respondent No.3/ Delhi University, submits that admissions were granted to the students in the College in question, on account of an Interim Order dated 28.04.2022 passed by this Court and now the Delhi University will have to take a policy decision in respect of such admissions, especially, in light of the fact that the Executive Council has resolved not to de-affiliate the College in question.*

*4. In the considered opinion of this Court, the Delhi University is certainly entitled to take a decision because students have already been admitted on account of the Interim Order dated 28.04.2022 passed by this Court. The Delhi University shall be free to take appropriate decisions keeping in view the interest of the students who have taken admission on account of the Interim Order passed by this Court."*

5. In compliance to the final order dated 27.10.2022 of the Hon'ble High Court, the University has taken the decision that the students already admitted on account of the interim order dated 28.04.2022, shall be on the rolls of the University of Delhi and the College of Arts shall continue to remain affiliated with the University of Delhi.

6. In view of the above College of Arts is requested to furnish the details of admission of students admitted for the academic session 2021-2022 and 2022-2023 onwards to the University within fortnight, without fail.

7. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority in pursuance of the Hon'ble High Court orders dated 28.04.2022 and 27.10.2022 in WPC No. 6739/ 2022.

Yours faithfully,

Assistant Registrar (Colleges)

Copy to:

1. The Secretary to the Hon'ble Lieutenant Governor of Delhi, Delhi, 6, Raj Niwas Marg, Ludlow Castle, Civil Lines, Delhi-110054
2. The Director, Higher Education, Govt. of NCT of Delhi, Department of Training & Technical Education, Delhi
3. The Secretary to the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University of Delhi, Kashmere Gate, Delhi-110006.
4. The Registrar, Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University of Delhi, Kashmere Gate, Delhi-110006.