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To,

All AICTE approved Colleges/Institutions

Sub:- Instructions to Institutes/Colleges during lockdown / on-going pandemic COVID-19 – regarding.

Kindly recall the instructions issued by AICTE vide letter No. F.7-2/DD/Admn/Inter Corr. (Vol-I) Pt. dated 15.04.2020 during pandemic covid-19 situation.

AICTE is in receipt of grievances from the Faculty/Staff regarding termination of services, non-payment of salary etc. and from students regarding insistence by institutes for paying full year/full term fees.

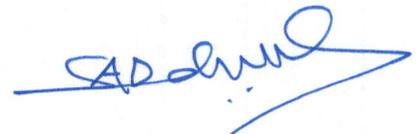
AICTE considering the current status of the country during on-going National Emergency due to the outbreak of COVID-19 pandemic second wave and currently observing a lockdown by some of the states and also ensure safety precautions during the threat posed by COVID-19, which is fundamental responsibility of all citizens of India, during this hour of crisis. Likewise, Heads of institutions have the onerous responsibility of safeguarding the health and associated interests of all stakeholders of their respective colleges/institutions.

In view of the above conditions, the following guidelines are being issued by AICTE for strict compliance by all colleges/Intuitions:

1. Payment of Fees: institutions/colleges should not insist on payment of full fees and collect in 3-4 installments till normalcy is restored. Accordingly, all colleges/Institutions are directed to display this information on their website and also communicate the same to the students through e-mail.
2. Payment of salary to faculty members: There shall be no termination of faculty without enough disciplinary ground & due process of redressal. Salary and other dues to the faculty/staff members be released monthly on time and also terminations, if any, made during the lockdown be withdrawn. This is to be complied strictly.
3. Discouraging fake news: Various interest groups/individuals are circulating fake news on social media platforms thereby creating misinformation and rumours. Discouraging any such fake news and reporting the matter to concerned authorities would be prime responsibility of all stakeholders. It is also advised that any information published on the official website of MoE/UGC/AICTE only may be relied upon. Hence, these websites may be regularly perused for any updates. Similarly, for other government circulars, official websites of the concerned Ministries/Departments may be referred to.

4. Sharing of internet bandwidth with other Colleges/Institutions: Due to the inability of certain students to access internet services, colleges/institutions are advised to allow students of other colleges/institutions in their vicinity to access the internet facility at their colleges/institutions. Hence, colleges/institutions may accordingly permit students of other colleges/institutions to share their campus internet wi-fi facility. Attendance rule may be relaxed in the light of lockdown and unavailability of good bandwidth in certain rural areas.

All colleges/Institutions must strictly adhere to these instructions, failing which action will be taken as per the prevailing rules.



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1. DTEs of all states/Universities to ensure proper implementation of the above Instructions by the institutions falling under their jurisdiction.