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(भारत सरकार का एक सांविधिक निकाय)

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ALL INDIA COUNCIL FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION

(A Statutory Body of the Govt. of India)

Ministry of Human Resource Development, Govt. of India

Nelson Mandela Marg, New Delhi-110067

Dated: 04/09/2017

ORDER

Institute: Beant College of Engineering & Technology, Gurdaspur, Amritsar Punjab

- Whereas, the AICTE is a statutory body established by AICTE Act, 1987 to provide for establishment of an All India Council for Technical Education with a view to the proper planning and co-ordinate development of the technical education system throughout the country, the promotion of qualitative improvement of such education in relation to planned quantitative growth and the regulation of proper maintenance of norms and standards in the technical education system and for matters connected therewith.
- Whereas, Section 10 of the AICTE Act prescribes the function of the Council and mandates that it shall be the duty of the Council to take all necessary steps and it may think fit for ensuring coordinated and integrated development of technical education and maintenance of standards, Section 10 (k) of the AICTE Act, empowers the AICTE to grant approval for starting new Technical Institutions and for introduction of new courses or programmes in consultation with the agencies concerned and Section 10 (q) empowers the AICTE to withhold or discontinue grants in respect of courses, programmes to such technical institutions which fail to comply with the directions given by the Council within the stipulated period of time and take such other steps as may be necessary for ensuring compliance of the directions of the Council.
- Whereas, in order to discharge its duties in accordance with the provisions contained in the AICTE Act the AICTE has framed the regulations for grant of approval for starting new Technical Institutions, introduction of courses or programmes and increase/variation of intake capacity of seats for the courses or programmes of existing Technical Institutions. The AICTE has also evolved a Hand book for approval process which details out the procedure as well as minimum conditions which an Institute must fulfill in order to seek approval for either starting new Technical Institutions or for introduction of courses/ programmes as increase/variation of intake capacity of seat for courses/programmes as well as existing Technical Institute.
- Whereas, the **Beant College of Engineering & Technology, Gurdaspur, Amritsar, Punjab** was issued Letter of approval in the year 1994-95 for running Engineering Courses and Extension of Approvals were issued upto 2015-16.
- Whereas, a complaint received from Dr.R S Munjal, Chandigarh regarding appointment of unqualified Principals in the Institute by the Punjab State Govt. Similar complaint was also received from Technical Staff Association, Giani Zail Singh University Campus, Dabwali Road, Bathinda in January 2016.
- Whereas, the appointment of the Principal was done in contravention of AICTE norms as laid down in the APH and there by violated prescribed Rules and Regulations.
- Whereas, a Show Cause Notice was issued to the institute vide AICTE letter dated 21-04-2016.
- Whereas, the Complaint alongwith the reply of the Institute against the show cause notice issued by AICTE based on the above said Complaint was placed before SCC on 07.06.2016, in which Institute representative was also present. The SCC recommendation is as follows:
- Whereas, Approval Bureau vide letter dated 14-12-2016 has requested the institute for compliance of the deficiency by appointing a qualified Principal/ Director as per AICTE Norms otherwise their case for the grant of EOA fir A. Y. 2017-18 will not be considered.
- Whereas, the matter was placed before Standing Hearing Committee (SHC) on 06-4-2017 wherein a representative of the institute is also requested to be present to represent their case.
- Whereas, the SHC on 06-04-2017 made the following recommendations:-

"The concerned autonomous Govt. Institute is having an officiating Principal for the past 10 months. The technical Minority has sanctioned the advertisement and the applications for the same are to be received by 25th April, 2017.

Today the representative of the institute has submitted an undertaking that the appointment of the regular Principal will be made before 24th June, 2017, as per the AICTE norms.

Based on the above, the Committee recommends that the EOA to institute may be granted for the A/ Y 2017-18 as per the AICTE norms. "



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12. Whereas, accordingly EOA for the A/Y 2017-18 was issued to the Institute 10.04.2017 and thereafter Speaking Order was also issued to the Institute on 30.04.2017 with the direction to the Institute to appoint the Principal before 24th June, 2017, failing which action will be taken as per AICTE norms.
13. Whereas, No reply was received from the Institute and hence a letter was sent to the Institute to appoint a Principal before 31st, July, 2017 failing which the Institute may be placed under "No Admission".
14. Whereas, a reply was received from the Institute dated.21.07.2017.
15. Whereas, it was decided by the Competent Authority to place the matter before the Standing Appellate Committee (SAC) alongwith the reply of the Institute on 18.08.2017.
16. Whereas, a SAC was held on 18.08.2017, in which Institute representative was also present.
The Observation/ Recommendation of the Standing Appellate Committee are as under:

S.No.	Deficiencies	Recommendation of SAC on 18.08.2017
1	Qualified Principal not appointed as per AICTE Norms, since long.	Documents Presented, however it is not accepted as no Principal is appointed as on date.

Observations

- As on date, Institute has not appointed qualified Principal as per AICTE norms.
- The Director of Technical Education & Industrial Training Punjab, has advertised for filling up post of Principals in (i) Malout Institute Of Management & Information Technology, Malout, Punjab (ii) Beant College of Engineering & Technology, Gurdaspur, Punjab, (iii) Baba Hira Singh Bhattal Institute of Engineering and Technology, Lehragaga (Sangrur), Punjab sometimes in April, 2017 and applications were invited from eligible candidates and applications were to reach the concerned office latest by 9th May 2017.

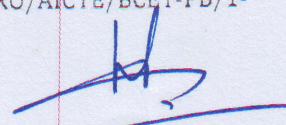
Aggrieved by the advertisement, several persons who were earlier appointed and working as Principal, approached the Hon'ble High Court of Punjab & Haryana challenging the advertisement and recruitment process. The Hon'ble High Court kept the recruitment process in abeyance and later on directed to maintain a status quo with regards to the services of petitioners as it existed on 24th May, 2017.

Final Recommendation

"In view of the above mentioned facts, it is recommended to consider issue of EOA for Academic Year 2018-19, subject to the outcome of the writ petition."

17. Whereas, after examining the entire matter in the facts and circumstances mentioned herein above and in terms of the provision of the Approval Process Handbook A/Y 2017-18 and guidelines and also the terms and conditions mentioned in the letter of Approval, it has been decided to convey the Institute that the issue of EOA for A/Y 2018-19 will be considered, subject to the outcome of the writ petition.

This has the approval of the Competent Authority vide note on page 25/N F. No. NWRO/AICTE/BCET-PB/1-6098731 dated 25-08-2017.


Director (AB)

To

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