

From

The Director General,  
Technical Education Department,  
Bays No. 7-12, Sector-4, Panchkula, Haryana

To

1. Dr. M.L. Aggarwal, Prof. J.C. Bose University of Sc. & Tech., YMCA Faridabad
2. Prof. Yogesh Chaba, Dean Faculty of Engg. & Tech., GJUST Hisar.
3. Dr. Srinivasa K.G., Professor, NITTTR Chandigarh.
4. Sh. Rajnish Garg, HOD, Govt. Polytechnic, Ambala City.

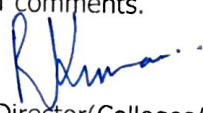
Memo No. EC/Colleges/2019/ 1267-70

Dated: 04/09/2019

**Subject: Approved Minutes of the Meeting of Equivalency Committee held under the Chairmanship of Sh. A. Sreenivas, IAS, DGTE on 28.08.2019 at 11:00 AM in the Office Room of DGTE, Shiksha Sadan, Sector – 5, Panchkula, Haryana.**

Kindly refer to the subject noted above.

In this connection, the copy of approved minutes of the meeting of Equivalency Committee held under the Chairmanship of Sh. A. Sreenivas, IAS, DGTE on 28.08.2019 at 11:00 AM in the Office Room of DGTE, Shiksha Sadan, Sector – 5, Panchkula is hereby enclosed for information and comments, if any, within 07 days otherwise the minutes of the meeting will be stand confirmed in the absence of comments.

  
Joint Director(Colleges/Univ.)  
for Director General Technical Education  
✓ Haryana Panchkula

Endst. No. EC/Colleges/2019/ 1271-72

Dated: 04/09/2019

A copy of the above is forwarded to the following for information and necessary action, please. Further, communication to the concerned quarters for their respective agenda items to whom it may pertains:

1. The Joint Director (Colleges/Univ.), DGTE Office.
2. The Joint Secretary (Academic), HSBTE, Panchkula.

  
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1. PS/DGTE for kind information of W/DGTE.
2. PA/DTE for kind information of DTE-cum-Secretary, HSBTE.
3. Sh. K.S. Jamwal, Joint Director (Admin.), DGTE Office.
4. Dr. Nidhi Aggarwal, Assistant Secretary, HSBTE, Panchkula.
5. Sh. Balwan Singh, Deputy Director, DTE – convener of the Committee.
6. Sh. Surender Kamboj, ADA, DGTE Office.
7. Deputy Director (IT) to host the above letter alongwith approved minutes on the website of Department.

  
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**Subject:- Minutes of the meeting of Equivalency Committee held under the Chairmanship of Sh. A. Sreenivas, IAS, DGTE on 28.08.2019 at 11.00 AM in the office Room of DGTE, Shiksha Sadan, Sector-5, Panchkula, Haryana.**

The meeting under the Chairmanship of W/DGTE was held on 28.08.2019 at 11.00 AM. The following were present in the meeting:

1. Sh. K.K Kataria, DTE-cum-Secretary, HSBTE
2. Prof. Yogesh Chaba, Dean, Faculty of Engg & Technology, GJUS&T, Hisar
3. Dr. M.L. Aggarwal, Professor, J.C Bose University of Science & Technology, YMCA Faridabad.
4. Dr. Srinivasa K.G., Professor, NITTTR, Chandigarh
5. Sh. Rajinder Kumar Choudhary, JD (College/Univ.)
6. Sh. R.K. Miglani, JS, HSBTE
7. Sh. K.S. Jamwal, JD (Admn.), DTE
8. Sh. Rajnish Garg, HOD (Civil Engg), Govt. Polytechnic, Ambala City.
9. Dr. Nidhi Aggarwal, Asstt. Secy, HSBTE- Invitee
10. Sh. Surender Kamboj, ADA, DTE
11. Sh. Balwan Singh, DD (Pvt. Colleges), DTE- Convener of the meeting.

The agenda items pertaining to Diploma Technical Courses and Degree Technical Courses submitted by HSBTE and University Branch of DTE vide their U.O No. 210/Equi./HSBTE dated 22.08.2019 and U.O No.112/Univ. dated 26.08.2019 respectively were placed in the meeting. The Agenda items were deliberated one by one and following decisions were taken by the committee:

A) Agenda items submitted by HSBTE pertaining to Diploma Technical Courses:

The recommendations of the equivalency committee in case of **Diploma Technical Courses** are as under:

Item No.	Agenda	Decision/recommendations of the Equivalency Committee
1.	Action taken report on the Agenda Items decided in the Equivalency Committee Meeting dated 11.02.2019	Noted and approved. However, it was decided that wherever the action is pending/in process, the same be expedited. The updated status/Action taken report be reported in the next meeting of the Equivalency Committee.
2.	Recognition of diploma qualification acquired from Institute of Advance Studies in Education (IASE), Sardarshahar (Deemed University), Rajasthan by the candidates enrolled during the Academic Session 2001-2005- cases referred by DHBVN and HVPNL.	Ratified.

B) Agenda items submitted by University Branch pertaining to Degree Technical Courses and recommendations of the Equivalency Committee are as under:

Item No.	Agenda	Decision/ recommendations of the Equivalency Committee
1	Confirmation of Minutes of Equivalency Committee meeting held on 11.02.2019 at 03:00 PM under the Chairmanship of W/DGTE.	Minutes were confirmed.
2	To note the follow-up action on the decisions taken in the Equivalency Committee meeting held on 11.02.2019 at 03:00 PM under the Chairmanship of W/DGTE.	Noted and approved. However, it was decided that wherever the action is pending/in process, the same be expedited. The updated status/Action taken report be reported in the next meeting of the Equivalency Committee.
3	Regarding validity of qualifications i.e. Diploma/Degree (Civil) issued by Institution of Civil Engineers, Ludhiana (Punjab).	The agenda item was discussed in detail in the light of recommendations of Equivalency Committee in respect of agenda item no. 11 in its meeting held on 13.12.2017 and various other facts detailed hereinafter.  Vide the said agenda item, the equivalency committee had

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given following recommendations as regards the technical qualification offered by Institution of Civil Engineers, Ludhiana (Punjab) :-

"It was deliberated and decided that the diploma and degree (Civil) issued by Institution of Civil Engineers, Ludhiana (Punjab) is not a valid qualification for recruitment/promotion to the post."

It is relevant to mention here that while giving above said recommendations, the equivalency committee had gone through the judgment of Division Bench of Hon'ble High Court in *Kartar Singh's case* (CWP no. 1640 of 2008 decided on 06.11.2012) wherein the Hon'ble Court has held that *the degrees or the membership granted by IME Mumbai cannot be treated as equivalent to Degree in Engineering*. Thereafter, the said judgment has been upheld by the Hon'ble Apex Court in its judgment dated 03.11.2017 in Civil Appeal nos. 17869 – 17870/2017 titled as *Orissa Lift Irrigation Corp. Ltd. Versus Rabi Sankar Patro and others* and Civil Appeal nos. 17902-17905/2017 titled as *Vijay Kumar and others etc. Versus Kartar Singh and others etc.* The committee had also considered instructions issued by Chief Secretary, Haryana vide memo dated 21.05.2009.

Now the Hon'ble Apex Court, vide judgment dated 13.08.2019 in the MA No. 2367 of 2018 in Civil Appeal No. 17922 of 2017 filed by Institution of Mechanical Engineers (IME, Mumbai), has held that-

*“ 45. In the circumstances we do make an exception in favour of such candidates enrolled upto 31.05.2013 and declare that the conclusions drawn in the present matter will apply after 01.06.2013. The Certificate awarded by the appellant to such candidates enrolled upto 31.05.2013 shall be considered equivalent to a Degree in Mechanical Engineering for the purpose of employment in Central Government.”*

Thus, the Hon'ble Apex Court has held that the Certificate awarded by IME, Mumbai in respect of students enrolled up to 31.05.2013 shall be considered equivalent to a Degree in Mechanical Engineering for the purpose of employment in Central Government .

The above said judgment has been passed by the Hon'ble Apex Court after considering notification dated 06.12.2012 issued by the Central Government and Public Notice issued by AICTE in August, 2017 whereby it is declared that 'the AICTE in its 52nd Emergent Meeting held on August 03, 2017 decided to recognize equivalence for all purposes including Higher Education & Employment to Technical Courses conducted by various Professional Bodies/Institutions which were duly recognized by MHRD with permanent recognition upto 31st May, 2013. Thus all those students who were enrolled with these institutions with permanent recognition upto 31.05.2013, stand recognized'.

The applicants in the instant agenda item also have claimed for validity of their qualification acquired from ICE, Ludhiana on the basis of above said notification of Central Government and Public Notice issued by AICTE. Perusal of above said letter F. No. 11-15/2011-AR(TS.II) dated 06.12.2012 issued by MHRD would show that copy of said letter has also been sent by MHRD to Institution of Civil Engineers, Ludhiana (Pb.) alongwith other Institutions. Thus, it appears that the

Government and Public Notice issued by above said letter F. No. 11-15/2011-AR(TS. issued by MHRD would show that copy of been sent by MHRD to Institution of Civil (Pb.) alongwith other Institutions. Thus,

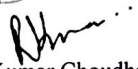
Institution of Civil Engineers, Ludhiana is a similar institution to that of Institution of Mechanical Engineers, Mumbai and some other professional bodies mentioned in the said letter of MHRD.

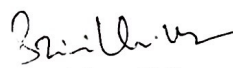
However, as per the policy of the State Government issued vide instructions dated 21.05.2009, 'no UG/PG Degree and Diploma in Engineering/Technology obtained through distance education mode is valid for initial appointment and promotion'. Further, the instructions dated 19.01.2018 and 15.02.2018 issued by the office of Chief Secretary to Govt. Haryana pursuant to the above said Hon'ble Apex Court judgment dated 03.11.2017 and judgment dated 22.01.2018 passed in MA nos. 1795-1796 of 2017 in Civil Appeal nos. 17869-17870 of 2017, also do not recognize the technical qualification acquired through distance mode except the conditional validity as per directions of the Hon'ble Apex Court to the degree in Engineering offered by deemed universities namely JRN Vidyapeeth Rajasthan, IASE, Sardar Sahar, Rajasthan, Vianyaka Mission University, Salem, Tamilnadu and Allahabad Agriculture Research Institute, Allahabad, UP.

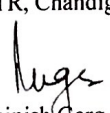
In view of the position mentioned above, the committee has deliberated and considered the issue and it is decided that since the present issue is a policy matter having State-wide implications, therefore it would be appropriate to refer the issue pertaining to the recognition/ equivalence of the technical courses conducted by various professional bodies/ institutions which were duly recognized by MHRD with permanent recognition upto 31 May, 2013, to the General Services Branch of Chief Secretary office for consideration and issuing appropriate orders/policy guidelines with reference to the above said judgment dated 13.08.2019 of Hon'ble Apex Court, the AICTE public notice No. P&AP/10(04)/2017 published in August, 2017/31.10.2017, the MHRD notification dated 06.12.2012 and the Chief Secretary to Govt. Haryana instructions dated 21.05.2009 and 15.02.2018.

Meeting ended with the vote of thanks to the Chair and all present in the meeting.


  
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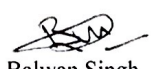
  
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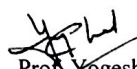
  
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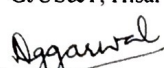
  
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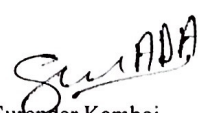
  
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