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Government of India

Ministry of Human Resource Development

(Department of Higher Education)

U.3(A) Section

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-01,

Dated the 11th January, 2018

NOTIFICATION

Whereas, the Central Government is empowered under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission (UGC) Act, 1956 to declare, on the advice of the UGC, an Institution of higher learning as deemed to be University.

2. **And whereas**, in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956, the Central Government vide its Notification No.9-12/2001-U3 dated 06.05.2002, on the advice of UGC, had declared Symbiosis International Education Centre, Pune consisting of (i) Symbiosis Institute of Computer Studies & Research; (ii) Symbiosis Institute of Business Management; and (iii) Symbiosis Society's Law college as "deemed to be University", with effect from the date of issuance of this Notification.

3. **And further whereas**, on the recommendation of the UGC, the Central Government vide its Notification No. 9-12/2006-U3(A) dated 10.11.2006 included the following ten institutions under the ambit of Symbiosis International Education Centre (deemed to be University), Pune:

- i. Symbiosis Centre for Management & Human Resource Development
- ii. Symbiosis Institute of International Business
- iii. Symbiosis Institute of Telecom Management
- iv. Symbiosis Institute of Management Studies
- v. Symbiosis Institute of Mass Communication
- vi. Symbiosis Institute of Operations Management
- vii. Symbiosis Centre for Information Technology
- viii. Symbiosis Institute of Geoinformatics
- ix. Symbiosis Institute of Health Sciences
- x. Symbiosis Institute of Design

4. **And whereas**, the name of 'Symbiosis International Educational Centre' was changed to 'Symbiosis International University' vide this Ministry's Notification No. 9-11/2008-U3(A) dated 25.03.2008.


5. **And further whereas**, on the recommendation of the UGC, the Central Government vide its Notification No. 10-6/2007-U3(A) dated 16.04.2008 approved that 'Symbiosis Institute of Management', Bangalore shall be an Off-Campus Centre of 'Symbiosis International University' (deemed to be University), subject to condition that the Institute shall maintain the student intake capacity of 150 in respect of the course of MBA proposed to be offered in the functional and sectoral areas like, Marketing, Information Technology, Finance, Operational Management, Human Resource Management, etc.

6. **And further whereas**, the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India vide its judgment Order dated 03.11.2017 in Civil Appeal Nos. 17869-17870/2017 (arising out of SLP(C) Nos.19807-19808/2012) filed by Orissa Lift Irrigation Corp. Ltd Versus Rabi Sankar Patro & Ors. and Civil Appeal Nos.17902-17905/2017 (arising out of SLP C Nos.35793-96/2012) titled as Vijay Kumar & Ors Vs. Kartar Singh & Ors held that UGC shall take appropriate steps for implementing Section 23 of the UGC Act and restraining Deemed to be Universities from using the word 'University' within one month from today.

7. **And whereas**, Section 23 of the UGC Act, 1956 says *"no institution, whether a corporate body or not, other than a University established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, a Provincial Act or a State Act shall be entitled to have the word "University" associated with its name in any manner whatsoever: Provided that nothing in this section shall, for a period of two years from the commencement of this Act, apply to an institution which, immediately before such commencement, had the word "University" associated with its name"*.

8. **Now, therefore**, in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956, the Central Government, as per direction of Hon'ble Supreme Court and on the advice of the UGC, do hereby change the name of "Symbiosis International University" to "Symbiosis International" by deleting the word 'University' from its name w.e.f. the issuance of this Notification. "Symbiosis International" shall not use the word 'University' suffixed to its name but may mention the word "deemed to be university" within parenthesis suffixed thereto.


9. All other conditions mentioned in the earlier Notifications of this Ministry shall continue to be adhered by "Symbiosis International".


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Copy forwarded to:-

1. The Secretary, University Grants Commission, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi. It is also requested to make necessary changes in the website of UGC.
2. The Vice-Chancellor, "Symbiosis International", 8th Floor, Symbiosis Vishwa Bhawan, Senapati Bapat Road, Pune, Maharashtra-411004.
3. The Member Secretary, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070.
4. The Principal Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra, Department of Technical & Higher Education, Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Mumbai-400032.
5. Press Information Bureau, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi.
6. The Secretary General, Association of Indian Universities, AIU House, 16, Kotla Marg, New Delhi-2.
7. Web Master, Department of Higher Education, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi. It is requested that CMIS Unit may kindly be instructed to display the Notification on the website (Home site) of the Department.
8. Guard file / Notification file.


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