

UNIVERSITY OF MUMBAI

No. Spl. Cell / 274 / of 2011

CIRCULAR :-

Attention of all the Directors / Heads of the University Departments and the Principals of the affiliated Colleges of Arts, Commerce, Science, Education, Law Engineering, Architecture, Pharmacy, M.C.A. & the Directors of Institute of Management studies is invited to the letter received from Dr. K. C. Pathak, Joint Secretary of University Grants Commission, 35, Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi 110 001 (Vide No. F 1-7/2011(SCT) dated 19 July, 2011)(copy enclosed) and they are hereby informed that it has been noticed that the cases of suicides being committed by Dalit Students in Higher Education Institutes due to caste discrimination on grounds of their social origin. It has been emphasized that officials/faculty members should desist from any act of discrimination against Dalit Students on grounds of their social origin. It is necessary that senior officers/ faculty members, including Liaison Officer of the educational institutes should keep a close watch to ensure that such incidents do not occur at all.


The University Departments /Colleges may develop a page on their web-site for lodging such complaints of caste discrimination by Dalit Students and also place a complaint register in the Directors / Heads /Principals office for purpose. If any such incident comes to the notice of the authorities, action should be taken against the erring official/ faculty members promptly.

You are also requested to advise the officials/ faculty members of your University Departments /Colleges that they should be more sensitive while dealing with above such incidents of caste discrimination.

The Directors / Heads of the University Departments and the Principals of the affiliated Colleges are hereby requested to bring the contents of the letter under reference to the notice of all concerned.

Date : 9th September, 2011.

Place : Mumbai - 400 032.


[Prin. (Dr.) M. S. Kurhade]

I/C Registrar

To :-

The Directors / Heads of the University Departments and the Principals of the affiliated Colleges of Arts, Commerce, Science, Education, Law, Engineering, Architecture, Pharmacy, M.C.A. & the Directors of Institute of Management studies.

Copy for information and necessary action, if any to :-

- 1) The Co-Ordinator, UCC, Dr. S. D. Sharma Bhavan, Vidyanagari, Mumbai - 400 098.
- 2) All Deputy Registrar/Assistant Registrar, University of Mumbai, Fort & Kalina Campus.
- 3) The Public Relation Officer, University of Mumbai, Fort & Kalina Campus.
- 4) The Executive Secretary to the Vice-Chancellor.
- 5) The Personal Assistant to the Registrar / Director, BCUD.
- 6) The Assistant Registrar, G.A.D. University of Mumbai - 400 032.

Copy forwarded for information to:-

- 1) The Secretary, Maharashtra Underprivileged Teacher's Association, A-1/24, Anupam Nagar, Murbad Road, Kalyan (W), Dist. Thane - 421 304.
- 2) The Secretary, Mumbai University & College Teacher's Union, Vidyapeeth Vidharthi Bhavan, "B" Road, Churchgate, Mumbai - 400 020.
- 3) The Chairman, Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar School of Thoughts SC, ST, OBC Teacher's Association, University of Mumbai, Mumbai - 400 098.
- 4) The Secretary, Educational Employees Welfare Association, Room No. 9, Gaound Floor, Justice Rande Bhavan, Vidyangari, University of Mumbai, Santacruz (E), Mumbai - 400 098
- 5) The General Secretary, Mumbai University Employee's Union, University Building, South Wing, Fort, Mumbai - 400 032.
- 6) The General Secretary, Officers Association, University of Mumbai.


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UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
35, FEROCZE SHAH ROAD
NEW DELHI - 110001.

NO.F 1-7/2011(SCT)

19 July, 2011

The Registrar,
Mumbai University,
M.G.Road, Fort,
Mumbai- 400 032.

Sub :- Suicides being committed by Dalit Students in Higher Education
Institutes due to caste discrimination -Regarding.

Sir

I am directed to inform you that instances have come to the notice of the UGC that suicides being committed by Dalit Students in Higher Education Institutes due to caste discrimination on grounds of their social origin. It has been emphasized that officials/faculty members should desist from any act of discrimination against Dalit Students on grounds of their social origin. It is necessary that senior officers/ faculty members, including Liaison Officer of the education at institutes should keep a close watch to ensure that such incidents do not occur at all. The University/ Institute/College may develop a page on their web-site for lodging such complaints of caste discrimination by Dalit Students and also place a complaint register in the Registrar /Principal office for purpose. If any such incident comes to the notice of the authorities, action should be taken against the erring official/ faculty members promptly.

You are also requested to advise the officials/ faculty members of your University/ Institute that they should be more sensitive while dealing with above such incidents of caste discrimination.

The affiliated colleges of your University / Institutes may also be informed accordingly.

Yours faithfully

Sd/-
(Dr. K. C. Pathak)
Joint Secretary