

GOVERNMENT OF KERALA

Abstract

Higher Education Department-Ph.D obtained/registered on or before 10.07.2009-Exempted from NET for appointment as Lecturer/Assistant Professor in Universities and affiliated Colleges-Orders issued.

HIGHER EDUCATION (C) DEPARTMENT

G.O. (Ms.) No: 163/2014/H.Edn Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 19.04.2014

Read:-1.G.O(P)No.58/2010/H.Edn dated 27.03.2010.

2.G.O(P)No.392/2010/H.Edn dated 10.12.2010.

3.Letter.No.F.9-3/2010(PS)Misc dated 16.11.2012 from the Secretary, University Grants Commission, New Delhi.

4.Letter.No.UGC Cell.3/10416/2013/Coll.Edn dated 02.04.2013 from the Director of Collegiate Education, Thiruvananthapuram.

5.Letter.No.51/KSHEC.Govt./2013-14 dated 16.01.2014 from the Member Secretary, Kerala State Higher Education Council, Thiruvananthapuram.

ORDER

Government, vide Order read as first paper above have implemented the Sixth UGC Scheme & Pay Revision in the State. Along with the minimum qualifications prescribed by the UGC, Clause 5.6 of the said G.O provide NET as the compulsory requirement for appointment at the entry level of Assistant Professor, subject to the exemptions to the degree of Ph.D in respect of those persons obtaining the award through a process of registration, course-work and external evaluation, as have been laid down by the UGC through its regulations, and so adopted by the University. As per UGC (Minimum qualifications required for the appointment and career advancement of teachers in Universities and Institutions affiliated to it) (3rd Amendment) Regulation 2009, candidates, who are or have been awarded Ph.D Degree in compliance of the "University Grants Commission(minimum standards and procedure for award of Ph.D Degree), Regulation, 2009, shall be exempted from the requirement of the minimum eligibility condition of NET/SLET for Assistant recruitment and appointment of Professor or equivalent positions Universities/Colleges/Institutions.

Government have received several representations requesting to permit all those who acquired or registered for Ph.D before the University Grants Commission(minimum standards and procedure for award of Ph.D Degree), Regulations 2009 came into force, for appointment to the post of Assistant Professor in Universities & Colleges. The Director of Collegiate

Education, in the letter read as fourth paper has reported that it will be a discrimination if those candidates who acquired Ph.D following the norms of Universities existed prior to the amendment of statutes of the concerned Universities are denied to take part in the selection process conducted by the PSC or by the managements. The various Universities in the State are of the opinion that exemption may be given to those candidates who have registered for Ph.D programme before the implementation of the new UGC Regulations, 2009 from the procedures and conditions stipulated in the Regulations as they have completed the programme and received Ph.D degree on the basis on the then Regulations of the University. The Member Secretary, Kerala State Higher Education Council, vide letter read as fifth paper above, opined that since candidates cannot be made victim to a restriction imposed during the continuation of a regconised course, all Ph.D holders who have registered for Ph.D Degree from UGC recognized universities before UGC promulgating the course work restriction shall be granted exemption from the same.

Government have examined the matter in detail and are pleased to order that candidates who had obtained Ph.D degree on or before 10.07.2009 and all candidates who have registered for Ph.D on or before 10.07.2009 and were subsequently awarded Ph.D degree shall be exempted from the requirement of NET for the purpose of appointment as Lecturer/ Assistant Professor in Universities & affiliated colleges in the State.

(By order of the Governor)

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Additional Secretary to Government

To

The Director of Collegiate Education, Thiruvananthapuram,

The Director of Technical Education, Thiruvananthapuram,

The Member Secretary, Kerala State Higher Education Council, Thiruvananthapuram,

Registrars of all Universities,

All Regional Deputy Directors of Collegiate Education,

The Principal Accountant General (Audit), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram,

The Accountant General (A&E), Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram/Kottayam,

The Agriculture/Health & Family Welfare Department,

The Higher Education (B/D/F/G/J) Department,

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