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# ANDHRA PRADESH ACTS, ORDINANCES AND REGULATIONS Etc.,

The following Act of the Andhra Pradesh Legislature received the assent of the Governor on the 17th December, 2021 and the said assent is hereby first published on the 20th December, 2021 in the Andhra Pradesh Gazette for general information;

### ACT No. 20 of 2021.

## AN ACT FURTHER TO AMEND THE ANDHRA PRADESH PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES (ESTABLISHMENT AND REGULATION) ACT, 2016.

Be it enacted by the legislature of the State of Andhra Pradesh in the Seventy second year of the Republic of India as follows,-

- 1. (1) This Act may be called the Andhra Pradesh Private Universities (Establishment and Regulation) (Amendment) Act, 2021.
- Short title and commencement
- (2) It shall be deemed to have come into force with effect on and from the 6<sup>th</sup> August, 2021.
- 2. In the Andhra Pradesh Private Universities (Establishment and Regulation)
  Act, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as the Principal Act), in section 2,-
- Amendment of section 2.
- (1) after clause (3), the following clause shall be inserted, namely,-
- Act No.3 of 2016.
- "(3-A) "Brownfield University" means an existing College(s) / Institution (s) of Higher Education that is,-
- (i) located in a geographically contiguous area in an extent of land not less than 50 acres;
- engaged in teaching and research at Under Graduate and Post Graduate or Higher Levels in the state of Andhra Pradesh;

- (iii) Possessing NAAC Accreditation of 3.2 and above for two (2) cycles and/or NBA Accreditation of two(2) cycles;
- (iv) Willingness to invest in the existing college a minimum of Rs. 250 crores further more in the course of three (3) years;
- (v) Possesses tie up with top 100 Universities in the Global ranking for joint certification of degrees as pre-requisite; and
- (vi) Willingness to allot fifty percentage (50%) of seats with regards to Medical and Dental courses and minimum thirty-five percentage (35%) of seats in all other courses under Government Quota at subsidized rates to benefit the poor children of the State as directed by the State Government":

Provided that Colleges / institutions shall submit a proposal duly satisfying the above requisite conditions to be converted into private Brown field university:

Provided further that Government shall at its sole discretion examine each proposal and give permission for such proposals which fulfil all the requirements under this Act and in accordance with the rules therein.

- (2) after clause (4), the following clause shall be inserted, namely,"(4-A) "College" means self-financing college (s)/institution (s) of Higher Education affiliated to any State University;"
- (3) clause (9) shall be omitted.
- (4) after clause (12), the following clause shall be inserted, namely,-
  - "(12-A) "Government Quota Seats" means fifty percentage (50%) of seats with regard to Medical and Dental Courses and minimum thirty-five percentage (35%) of approved intake in every other course of study offered by the University, to be filled up by the Government in accordance with the procedure prescribed under section 33(A)(1) of the Act;"
- (5) for clause (23), the following clause shall be substituted, namely, -"(23) "Regulatory Authority" means the Andhra Pradesh Higher Education Regulatory and Monitoring Commission established under section 3 of the Andhra Pradesh Higher Education Regulatory and Monitoring Commission Act, 2019 (Act No. 20 of 2019);"
- (6) for clause (30), the following clause shall be substituted, namely, -
  - "(30) "State University' means a university established under an Act of the Andhra Pradesh State Legislature other than the Private Universities established under section 3 of the Act;"

Amendment of section 3.

- 3. In section 3 of the Principal Act, for sub-section(3), the following shall be substituted, namely, -
  - "(3) The University may be a Greenfield or Brownfield and unitary in nature and shall not have power to affiliate and/or recognize any college or institution."

4. In section 32 of the Principal Act,-

Amendment of section 32.

- (1) for sub-section (1), the following shall be substituted, namely,-
  - "(1) The Andhra Pradesh Higher Education Regulatory and Monitoring Commission (APHERMC) constituted under section 3 of the Andhra Pradesh Higher Education Regulatory and Monitoring Commission Act, 2019 (Act No. 20 of 2019) shall be the Regulatory Authority for the following purposes, -
  - (i) Fixing fee structure for Government Quota seats in Private Universities;
  - (ii) Grant accreditation to Private Universities in the manner as prescribed under the rules provided further that the parameters for accreditation shall not be in derogation of the existing regulations framed by various Central Authorities/Agencies such as UGC, AICTE, NCTE, MCI, PCI, NAAC, ICAR, DBT, DST, CSIR, BCI etc."
- (2) sub-sections (2), (4), (5), (6), (7), (8), (9) and (10) shall be omitted.
- 5. In the principal Act, after section 33, the following new section shall be inserted, namely,-

Insertion of new section 33-A.

Allocation of Seats.

"33-A. Notwithstanding anything to the contrary to section 33;-

- (1) The Government shall earmark Government quota of fifty percentage (50%) seats with regard to Medical and Dental Courses and minimum thirty-five percentage (35%) of seats in every other course of study to be filled in accordance with the rules prescribed under the Act;
- (2) The Government Quota seats in any course of study offered by the Private University will be filled-up based on the merit among the qualified candidates in the concerned Common Entrance Test (CET) either conducted by the Central Government/ State Government or its instrumentalities as prescribed in the rules;
- (3) The fee charged for the Government Quota Seats in any Course of the study offered by the Private University shall be determined by the Andhra Pradesh Higher Education Regulatory and Monitoring Commission.".
- 6. (1) The Andhra Pradesh Private Universities (Establishment and Regulation) (Amendment) Ordinance, 2021 is hereby repealed.

Repeal and savings of Ordinance No.

10 of 2021.

(2) Notwithstanding such repeal, anything done or any action taken under the said ordinance shall be deemed to have been done or taken under this Act.

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