



ABSTRACT

Public Services - Equivalence of Degrees - LL.M degree programmes of Pondicherry, Mahatma Gandhi & Calicut Universities and LL.M degrees offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University - Resolutions of Equivalence Committee - Orders - Issued.

LAW (LS) DEPARTMENT

G.O. (Ms.) No. 28

Dated 28.01.2020.
Vihari-Thai - 14.
Thiruvalluvar Aandu 2050.

Read:

1. G.O. (Ms) No.93, Higher Education (K2) Department, dated 30.05.2019.
2. From the Vice-Chairman(FAC), TANSCH/Principal Secretary, Higher Education Department, Letter Rc. No.3528/2019A, dated 20.11.2019.
3. U.O.Note No.18329/K1/2019-5, dated 26.11.2019 received from the Deputy Secretary to Government, Higher Education (K1) department.

ORDER :

In the U.O. Note 3rd read above, the Deputy Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department has forwarded the resolutions passed by the 3rd Equivalence Committee under the Chairmanship of the Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department held on 12.11.2019 on the Equivalence/ Non-equivalence of Degrees offered by the Universities / Educational Institutions to the similar degrees and requested the Government to issue orders in the matter. In the said meeting, the Equivalence Committee has passed 7 resolutions in respect of LL.M Degrees awarded by other Universities. Out of the seven, it has recommended "Not Equivalent" in respect of five items (item Nos. 2.1, 2.3, 2.5, 2.6 & 2.7).

2. The Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education has formulated a Subject Expert Committee. The said Committee after making a comparative study of unit-wise analysis, similarity between the course offered by the other University with the similar degree offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University has opined as follows:-

(i) LL.M (two years) degree in International Law, Constitutional Law and Human Rights Law offered by Pondicherry University with the LL.M degree in International Law offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University, the similarity between these course is only 13.57% and concluded that the aforesaid course is not equivalent to LL.M degree offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University.

(ii) LL.M(two years) degree in Criminal Law and Criminology offered by Pondicherry University with LL.M (Criminal Law and Criminal Justice Administration) offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University, the similarity between these course is only 59.37% and concluded that the aforesaid course is not equivalent to LL.M degree offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University.

(iii) LL.M(two years) degree in Human Rights Law offered by the Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, Kerala with LL.M (Human Rights Law) offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University, the similarity between these course is only 25% and concluded that the aforesaid course is not equivalent to LL.M degree offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University.

(iv) LL.M(two years) degree in International Law, Constitutional Law and Human Rights Law degree offered by the Pondicherry University with LL.M (Human Rights Law) offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University, the similarity between these course is only 22.5% and concluded that the aforesaid course is not equivalent to LL.M degree offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University.

(v) LL.M (Taxation Law) degree offered by the University of Calicut, Kerala with LL.M(Taxation Law) offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University, the similarity between these course is only 46.25% and concluded that the aforesaid course is not equivalent to LL.M degree offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University.

3. In the letter 2nd read above, the Vice - Chairman (FAC), Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education/Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department has forwarded the resolutions of the Equivalence Committee made in respect of aforesaid five matter, recommending the Non-equivalence of degrees, as reported by the subject Expert Committee for necessary action.

4. The Government, after careful consideration, concur with the views of the subject Expert Committee and approve the following resolutions made in the 3rd Equivalence Committee meeting held on 12.11.2019 under the Chairmanship of the Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department:-

<p><u>Item No.2.1</u> Public Services - Educational Qualification - LL.M (International Law, Constitutional Law and Human Rights Law) (Two Years) degree offered by Pondicherry University as to whether equivalent to LL.M (International Law) awarded by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University for the purpose of employment in Public Services.</p>	<p>Not Equivalent</p>
<p><u>Item No.2.3</u> Public Services - Educational Qualification - Consideration of LL.M (Criminal Law and Criminology) (Two years) degree awarded by Pondicherry University as to whether equivalent to LL.M (Criminal Law and Criminal Justice Administration) awarded by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University for the purpose of employment in Public Services.</p>	<p>Not Equivalent</p>

<p>Item No.2.5 Public Services - Educational Qualification - Consideration of LL.M (Human Rights Law) (Two years) degree offered by Mahatma Gandhi University as to whether equivalent to LL.M (Human Rights) awarded by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University for the purpose of employment in Public Services.</p>	<p>Not Equivalent</p>
<p>Item No.2.6 Public Services - Educational Qualification - LL.M (International Law, Constitutional Law and Human Rights Law) (Two years) degree offered by Pondicherry University as to whether equivalent to LL.M Human Rights Law awarded by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University for the purpose of employment in Public Services.</p>	<p>Not Equivalent</p>
<p>Item No.2.7 Public Services - Educational Qualification - Consideration of LL.M (Taxation Law) (Two years) degree offered by University of Calicut as to whether equivalent to LL.M Taxation Law awarded by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University for the purpose of employment in Public Services.</p>	<p>Not Equivalent</p>

5. Accordingly, it is ordered that the LL.M (International Law, Constitutional Law & Human Rights Law) two years degree and LL.M (Criminal Law and Criminology) two years degree offered by Pondicherry University is not equivalent to the LL.M (International Law), LL.M (Criminal Law and Criminal Justice Administration) and LL.M (Human Rights Law) degrees offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University; LL.M (Human Rights Law) two years degree offered by Mahatma Gandhi University is not equivalent to the LL.M (Human Rights Law) degree offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University and LL.M (Taxation Law) two years degree offered by University of Calicut is not equivalent to LL.M (Taxation Law) degree offered by the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University, for the purpose of employment in Public Services.

(BY ORDER OF THE GOVERNOR)

C. GOPI RAVIKUMAR,
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT (FAC).

To:

1. The Registrar(i/c), the Tamil Nadu Dr.Ambedkar Law University, Chennai - 600 028.
2. The Registrar, Tamil Nadu National Law University, Tiruchirappalli.
3. The Director of Legal Studies, Chennai - 600 010.
4. The Chairman, Teachers Recruitment Board, Chennai - 600 006.
5. The Vice-Chairman(FAC), Tamil Nadu State Council for Higher Education, Chennai - 600 005.
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7. Pondicherry University, R.V.Nagar, Kalapet, Pondicherry - 605 014.
8. Mahatma Gandhi University, Kottayam, Kerala.
9. University of Calicut, Kerala.

Copy to:-

1. The Senior P.A. to Minister (Law, Courts & Prisons), Secretariat, Chennai-600 009.
2. The P.S. to Principal Secretary to Government, Higher Education Department, Secretariat, Chennai-600 009.
3. The P.S. to Secretary to Government, Personnel and Administrative Reforms Department, Secretariat, Chennai-600 009.

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// Forwarded by order //

Section Officer.
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