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The Registrar,  
APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University,  
Thiruvananthapuram  
Kerala.

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Sub: - Conferment of Autonomous Status to St. Joseph's College of Engineering and Technology, Palai, Choondacherry P.O., Plassanal via, Kottayam Dist., Kerala State, - 686579 affiliated to APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, Thiruvananthapuram.

Sir/Madam,

This has reference to the proposal submitted by St. Joseph's College of Engineering and Technology, Palai, Choondacherry P.O., Plassanal via, Kottayam Dist., Kerala State, - 686579 affiliated to APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, Thiruvananthapuram for conferment of autonomous status.

The Commission in its meeting held on 25.06.2024 has approved the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Autonomous Colleges to confer the autonomous status to **St. Joseph's College of Engineering and Technology, Palai, Choondacherry P.O., Plassanal via, Kottayam Dist., Kerala State, - 686579 affiliated to APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University, Thiruvananthapuram** for a period of 05 years from the academic year **2024-2025 to 2028-2029** as per clause 7.4 of the UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023.

The University, is therefore, requested to issue necessary notification within 30 days regarding the grant of autonomous status to the College as per UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023.

The autonomous college is required to abide by all the provisions of the UGC Regulations for Autonomous Colleges. The Regulations are available on the UGC website, [www.ugc.gov.in](http://www.ugc.gov.in). Non-compliance of the requirements and conditions prescribed in the said Regulations shall attract action as per Clause -13 of the UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023. The college should apply to University Grants Commission for extension of autonomous status at least three months before the completion of autonomy period.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Dr. Gopi Chand Merugu)  
Deputy Secretary

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Copy to: -

1. **The Principal Secretary,  
Dept. of Higher Education,  
Govt. of Kerala, Government Secretariat,  
Thiruvananthapuram - 695 001, Kerala**

2. **The Principal  
St. Joseph's College of Engineering and Technology,  
Palai, Choondacherry P.O.,  
Plassanal via, Kottayam Dist.,  
Kerala State, - 686579**

- (i) The College is advised to go for the required NAAC/NBA accreditation at least six months before the expiry of current validity and obtain the grading NAAC/NBA as per the UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023 and intimate the Same to UGC to revisit the above decision, if required.
- (ii) The College/Institute is advised to submit a report regarding Examination Cell and constitution of Statutory Bodies as required under Clauses 11 and 12 of the UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023 to ensure proper management of academic, financial, and general administrative affairs. Non-compliance of the above shall attract action as per Clause -13 of the UGC Regulations – 2023.
- (iii) The College/Institute is advised to take necessary steps for implementation of NEP 2020 and intimate the UGC.

  
(Dr. Gopi Chand Merugu)  
Deputy Secretary

10/07/2024