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अखिल भारतीय तकनीकी शिक्षा परिषद् (भारत सरकार का एक सांविधिक निकाय) (शिक्षा मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार) नेल्सन मंडेला मार्ग, वसंत कुंज, नई दिल्ली-110070

ALL INDIA COUNCIL FOR TECHNICAL EDUCATION (A Statutory Body of the Govt. of India) (Ministry of Education, Govt. of India) Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070

Dated: 27.12.2023

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All Vice Chancellors of Technical Universities and All Directors/ Principals of AICTE Approved Institutions,

Subject MoU Signed between Ministry of Education and Election Commission of India- reg.

Please refer to email dated 08.12.2023 attached with OM No. 16-38/2022-U1A dated 05.12.2023 from Dept. of Higher Education, Ministry of Education, New Delhi on the above subject.

It is informed that a MoU has been signed between Ministry of Education and Election Commission of India (ECI) on 2nd November 2023 on Voter Education electoral literacy. The following specific action points requiring immediate attention have been advised by ECI:-

- 1. Updating ECI on the proposed plan of action for integration of voter education and electoral literacy in curricular framework for all college and universities in a manner to the extent of credit and hours suitable for different disciplines.
- 2. Ownership of State Education Departments for establishing and effective running of the ECI programme of Electoral Literacy Clubs (ELCs) in colleges, universities and other institutions of Higher Education. They need to organise various activities to promote voter awareness among students encouraging them to register as voters and participate enthusiastically in ensuing elections.
- 3. Devising a system of credits for students taking part in continuous Electoral and Democracy Education to pursue higher studies and including this as a parameter for accreditation of Higher Education Institutions by NAAC.

In view of the above, you are requested to promote electoral literacy and create awareness among students by establishing Electoral Literacy Clubs (ELCs) in your institutions and organize various activities to make ECI programmes successful.

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We deeply value your time and engagement.

Yours sincerely,



F. No. 16-38/2022-U1A Government of India Ministry of Education Department of Higher Education

Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi, Dated the 5 December, 2023

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: MoU signed between Ministry of Education and Election Commission of In- dia - reg.

The undersigned is directed to forward herewith a copy letter dated 07.11.2023 received from ECI and a copy of the MoU signed between Election Commission of India and Minist ry of Education on 02.11.2023 regarding voter education and electoral literacy. The MoU seeks to incorporate voter education and electoral literacy formally into the school and college education system to prepare future and new voters for greater electoral participation. This MoU is part of implementing the flagship programme of ECI namely Systematic Voters' Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP).

2. The following specific action points requiring immediate attention have been advised by ECI:

- i. Updating ECI on the proposed plan of action for integration of voter education and electoral literacy in curricular framework for all colleges and universities in a manner to the extent of credit and hours suitable for different disciplines. Necessary directions may be issued from UGC to universities and other institutions of Higher Education;
- ii. Ownership of State Education Departments for establishing and effective running of the ECI programme of Electoral Literacy Clubs (ELCs) in colleges, universities and other Institutions of Higher Education. They may be asked to organise various activities to promote voter awareness among students, encouraging them to register as voters and participate enthusiastically in ensuing elections; and
- iii. Devising a system of credits for students taking part in Continuous Electoral and Democracy Education to pursue higher studies and including this as a parameter for accreditation of Higher Educational institutions by NAAC.

3. It is requested to ensure operationalization of the provisions of the MoU in the institutions under your respective controls and provide necessary action point-wise reply.

Encl. as above

(Ajeet Kumar) Under Secretary to the Government of India Ph. 23384582

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All the Bureau Heads of D/o HE (for HEIs under their respective control).

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