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To

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

Subject: Display of penal consequences of sexual harassment at workplace.

Respected Sir Madan,

In reference to Ministry of Women & Child Development (MWCD)'s OM No. WW-16/6/2023 dated 14th November, 2023 forwarding therewith a copy of the judgement dated 15 September 2023 passed by the Hon'ble High Court of Odisha in respect of W.P. (C) No (PIL) 33000 of 2022 Smt Biyot Projna Tripathy vs Government of Orissa before the High Court of Orissa Bench at Cuttack, the Petition was filed for implementation of Section 19(b) of Sexual Harassment of Women at Workplace Act, 2013 which states that "Every employer shall display at any conspicuous place in the workplace, the penal consequences of sexual harassments of Women at Workplace (Prevention, prohibition and Redressal) Act, 2013; and the order constituting, the Internal Committee under sub-section) of section 4".

Accordingly, the Hon'ble High Court has directed to all the authorities under the Central and State Governments to "place a Billboard showing the penal consequences of sexual harassment." The court has also directed to include "a tollfree number and committed phone numbers to be provided on the Billboard" including Women Helpline Number 181 and Emergency Response Support System Number 112.

It is requested to take necessary action in this regard; on prority please.

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We deeply appreciate your time and engagement.

with regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Dr. Mamta Rani Agarwal)