



**GOVERNMENT OF KERALA**

**Abstract**

Higher Education - Technical - Judgment dated 5/4/2018 in WP(c) No.11429/2018 filed by Sri.Fibinu.B.Sam - complied with - orders issued.

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**HIGHER EDUCATION (L) DEPARTMENT**

**G.O.(Rt)No. 943/2018/HEDN** Dated,Thiruvananthapuram,11/05/2018

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Read: 1 Judgment dated 5/4/2018 in WP(c) No.11429/2018 filed by Sri.Fibinu.B.Sam

2 Letter No.C2/6031/2018 dated 9/5/2018 received from the Director of Technical Education, Thiruvananthapuram

**ORDER**

In the Judgment dated 5/4/2018 in WP(c) No.11429/2018 filed by Sri.Fibinu.B.Sam, the Hon'ble High Court has ordered as follows:

*... , there will be a direction to the first respondent to take on board Ext.P5, and consider the same in accordance with law, taking note of the norms prescribed under Ext.P3 at the earliest, and at any rate, before finalising the prospectus for the ensuing educational year 2018-19.*

**2) Exhibit P5** is the representation submitted by Sri.Fibinu B.Sam dated 14/3/2018 and **Exhibit P3** is the relevant extract of the norms for Diploma Programme prescribed for Engineering / Technology published by All India Council for Technical Education.

**3)** In the Exhibit P5, Sri.Fibinu B.Sam points out that as per AICTE norms, those who have passed 12<sup>th</sup> standard (+2) shall be eligible for Lateral Entry admission to 2<sup>nd</sup> year Diploma course. In other states, this scheme is implemented, but not in Kerala. Therefore, the same may be implemented in Kerala.

**4)** In Exhibit P3 (Approval Process handbook of AICTE)

**a) As per Clause 5.9.a,**

*12<sup>th</sup> or 10<sup>th</sup> + (2years ITI) shall be eligible for admission to Second year Diploma Course(s) upto a maximum of 20% of "Approved Intake" which shall be over and above, supernumerary to the "Approved Intake", plus the unfilled vacancies of First year as per the Approval Process Handbook 2018-19.*

**b) As per Appendix I Clause 1.1 (vii) ,** for Lateral entry to

Diploma Programme, the qualification prescribed is

*“ passed 12<sup>th</sup> Examination with Physics and Chemistry as compulsory subjects along with one of the Mathematics/Biology (Botany and Zoology)*

*Or*

*12<sup>th</sup> Science (with Mathematics as one of the subject) or 12<sup>th</sup> Science with Vocational Or 12<sup>th</sup> Science with Technical*

*Or*

*10<sup>th</sup> + (2 years ITI) with appropriate Trade in that order shall be eligible for admission to second year Diploma Course (s) of appropriate Programme”.*

**5)** As per clause 5.10 of AICTE approval process handbook, “The concerned State Government / UT Admission Authority shall decide modalities for the admission”.

**6)** In the Diploma Course conducted in Kerala, **5 %**seats are reserved for **ITI pass out** candidates and **2% for VHSE** pass outs candidates. If lateral entry is allowed, those who are having higher marks will secure admission to the first year of the course and study the subjects of first year. But those who are not able to secure admission in the first year, can secure admission through lateral entry will skip the papers in the first year, which may deteriorate the quality of education. The Lateral Entry Scheme can be implemented in the state, if the present seats of reservation to ITI and VHSE pass out candidates is converted and brought to the lateral entry seats in order to provide equal treatment.

**7)** 1st and 2nd Semesters (I year) of the Diploma course include branch specific basic study of one Theory and one Lab. Besides the subjects of Engineering Graphics and Workshop Practice are included in the 1<sup>st</sup> year. If lateral entry to the 3rd Semester (2nd year) is given, they will lose the basic studies and thus will not acquire the quality of the course as expected.

**8)** As per the AICTE norms of faculty-student ratio, additional staff are required for additional intake for implementing lateral entry scheme. In the letter read as 2nd paper above, the Director of Technical Education the Director of Technical Education has reported that infrastructure, academic and laboratory facilities existing in Polytechnics are **not sufficient** to accommodate excess number of students above the approved intake.

**9)** In view of the above facts, Implementation of the scheme of

lateral entry to 2<sup>nd</sup> year Diploma Course, in Polytechnics **is not feasible**. Therefore the request in the **Exhibit P5 representation is rejected**. The direction in the Judgment in WP(c) No.11429/2018 filed by Sri.Fibinu.B.Sam is complied with.

By order of the Governor

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