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University Grants Commission
(शिक्षा मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)
(Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)

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10th April 2026

The Registrar,
Pondicherry University,
Puducherry,
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Sub: Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Achariya College of Engineering Technology - reg.

Madam/Sir,

This has reference to the proposal submitted by Achariya College of Engineering Technology, Villianur, Puducherry, affiliated to Pondicherry University, Puducherry, for the conferment of autonomous status.

The Commission in its meeting held on 19.03.2026 has approved the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Autonomous Colleges to confer the autonomous status to Achariya College of Engineering Technology, Villianur, Puducherry -605110, affiliated to Pondicherry University, Puducherry, for a period of 05 years from the academic year 2026-27 to 2030-31 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 the necessary notification within 30 days regarding the grant of autonomous status to the College as per the above-mentioned UGC Regulations. The autonomous college is required to comply with all provisions of the UGC Regulations for Autonomous Colleges, 2023. The Regulations are available on www.ugc.gov.in. Non-compliance with the requirements and conditions prescribed in the said Regulations shall attract action under Clause 13 of the UGC Regulations, 2023. The college shall apply to the University Grants Commission for an extension of autonomous status at least three months before the completion of the period of autonomy.

Yours faithfully,

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- a. The Autonomous Colleges shall at all times adhere to UGC Regulations and Guidelines made and issued by the Commission from time to time, failing which UGC may take appropriate action against the defaulting Autonomous College, including revocation of autonomous status as per clause 13.1 of the UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023.
- b. The Autonomous College shall start certificate or diploma courses as well as a new degree programme at the UG and PG levels only after obtaining the approval of the concerned Statutory Council, wherever required, as mandated by clauses 10.1 and 10.2 of the UGC Regulations, 2023.
- c. Ph.D. Programmes shall be offered strictly in accordance with the UGC Regulations notified in this regard from time to time.
- d. The College shall apply for the required NAAC/NBA accreditation at least six months before the expiry of the current validity and obtain the NAAC/NBA grading as per UGC Regulations, 2023 and intimate the same to UGC.
- e. The College shall upload a report on its website regarding the Examination Cell and the constitution of Statutory Bodies as required under clauses 11 and 12 of the UGC Regulations, 2023, and a report of the External Peer Team, to ensure proper management of academic, financial, and general administrative affairs.
- f. The college shall strictly comply with clause 9 of the UGC Regulations, 2023.
- g. The College is advised to take necessary steps for the implementation of NEP 2020 and upload the same on the UGC UTSAH Portal - <https://utsah.ugc.ac.in/> and shall also register and upload credits on the ABC portal - <https://www.abc.gov.in/>

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