

No. F. 9-14/2004-U.3
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
(Department of Higher Education)
U.3(A) Section

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi,
4th January , 2008.

NOTIFICATION

Whereas the Central Government is empowered under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission (UGC) Act, 1956 to declare, on the advice of the UGC, an institution of higher learning as deemed to be a university;

2. And whereas, a proposal was received from Sri Ponnaiyah Ramajayathammal Educational & Charitable Trust, Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu in June, 2004, seeking grant of status of deemed-to-be-university to Ponnaiyah Ramajayam Institute of Science & Technology (PRIST), comprising (i) Ponnaiyah Ramajayam College, (ii) P.R. Engineering College and (iii) Ponnaiyah Ramajayam College of Education;

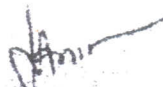
3. And whereas, the recommendations of the University Grants Commission (UGC) received in the matter on 09.04.2007 were examined in this Ministry and the proposal for conferment of status of 'deemed-to-be-university' to PRIST was rejected vide this Ministry's notification of even number dated the 25.07.2007. This decision was also reiterated vide this Ministry's subsequent notification of even number dated the 29th August, 2007;

4. And whereas, upon submission of fresh documents by the PRIST to remove the deficiencies as pointed out in the notifications referred to in para 3 above, the matter has once again been reconsidered in the Ministry in detail, and on the basis of the recommendations of the UGC, and in exercise of the powers conferred by Section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956, the Central Government do hereby declare 'Ponnaiyah Ramajayam Institute of Science & Technology' (PRIST), Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu, comprising 'Ponnaiyah Ramajayam College', Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu, as deemed to be a university for the purposes of the aforesaid Act, provisionally for a period of five years with effect from the date the Ponnaiyah Ramajayam College is disaffiliated from its affiliating university, namely, Bharathidasan University, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil

Nadu, subject to a condition that the status conferred upon the PRIST will be reviewed after five years by the UGC with the help of an Expert Committee. The status shall be confirmed only on the basis of the performance report of UGC's Expert Review Committee and the recommendations of the UGC thereon.

5. The declaration made in para 4 above is also subject to further conditions mentioned at Sr. No. 3 of the endorsement to this Notification.

6. Neither the Government of India nor the University Grants Commission shall provide any Plan and Non-Plan grant-in-aid to Ponnaiyah Ramajayam Institute of Science & Technology, Thanjavur or its constituent teaching unit.



(Ravi Mathur)

Joint Secretary to the Government of India