



GONDWANA UNIVERSITY, GADCHIROLI

DIRECTION NO. 17 OF 2021

**DIRECTION GOVERNING AWARD OF HONORARY DEGREE OF
DOCTOR OF LETTERS (D. Litt), DIRECTION, 2021**

(Issued under Section 12(8) of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016.)

Whereas, the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 has come into force with effect from 1st March 2017 (hereinafter referred to as the Act);

AND

Whereas, the above said Act is applicable to the Gondwana University, Gadchiroli;

AND

Whereas, section 26(1) of the said Act declares that the senate shall be one of the authorities of the university;

AND

Whereas, section 26(2) of the said Act declares that the management council shall be one of the authorities of the university;

AND

Whereas, section 28 (1) of the said act declares that Senate shall be the principal authority for all financial estimates and budgetary appropriations and for providing social feedback to the university on current and future academic programmes;

AND

Whereas, section 29 of the said act, declares the functions and duties of Senate;

AND

Whereas, section 29 (e) of the said act, declares that Senate shall transact the business at its meeting to confer, on the recommendation of the Management Council, honorary degrees or other academic distinctions;

AND

Whereas, section 30 (1) of the said act declares that the Management Council shall be the principal executive and policy making authority of the university and shall be responsible for administering the affairs of the university and carrying out such duties, which are not specifically assigned to any other authority;

AND

Whereas, section 31 of the said act, declares the powers and duties of management council;

AND

Whereas, section 31 (r) of the said act, declares that the management council shall have powers to recommend the conferment of honorary degrees and academic distinctions;

AND

Whereas, section 129 (1) of the said act declares that the Management Council may consider and recommend to the Senate the conferment of an honorary degree or other academic distinction on any person, without requiring him to undergo any test or examination or evaluation, on the ground solely that he, by reason of his eminent position, attainments and public service, is a fit and proper person to receive such degree or other academic distinction, and such recommendation shall be deemed to have been duly passed if supported by a majority of not less than two-thirds of the members present at the meeting of the Senate, being not less than one-half of its total membership. Provided that the Management Council shall not entertain or consider any proposal in that behalf without the Vice-Chancellor having obtained the previous approval of the Chancellor;

AND

Whereas, section 129 (2) of the said act declares that The Management Council may take a decision on the proposal of the Senate: Provided that, the Senate shall not entertain or consider any proposal in that behalf without the Vice-Chancellor having obtained prior approval of the Chancellor;

AND

Whereas, Vice-Chancellor having obtained the approval of the Chancellor for instituting the Award of Honorary Degree of Doctor of Letters (D. Litt) on dated 22nd January'2021;

AND



Whereas, Management Council in its meeting held on 27.01.2021, vide item no. 17 has recommended to the Senate for instituting the Award of Honorary Degree of Doctor of Letters (D. Litt);

AND

Whereas, the Senate in its meeting held on 10.03.2021, vide item no. 3 has considered and accorded approval to the recommendation of Management Council for instituting the Award of Honorary Degree of Doctor of Letters (D. Litt);

AND

Whereas, the matter is required to be executed with immediate effect;

AND

Whereas, making an Ordinance for regulating the given matter is a time-consuming process;

Now, therefore, I, Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi, Vice-Chancellor, Gondwana University, Gadchiroli, in exercise of the powers vested in me under provision of Section 12(8) of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016, do hereby issue following Directions:-

1. This direction shall be called "AWARD OF HONORARY DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF LETTERS (D.Litt.), DIRECTION, 2019".
2. In this Direction, unless the context otherwise requires:-
 - a. "Act" means the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016
 - b. "Senate" means the senate constituted as per section 28(2) of the act
 - c. "Management Council" means the Management Council constituted as per section 30 (4) of the Act.
 - d. "Vice-Chancellor", means the Vice-Chancellor of Gondwana University, Gadchiroli appointed' under provision of section 11(4) of the Act, by the Chancellor.
3. Vice-chancellor shall constitute a committee comprising of three members of management council of the university to recommend name of an eminent person who by virtue of his contribution to society, attainments and public service become a fit and proper person to receive honorary degree of Doctor of Letters.
4. Posthumous award of the given degree shall be permissible in an exceptional case.
5. Vice-chancellor shall obtain the approval of the Chancellor to the name recommended by the committee as per section 129(1) of the Act.



6. After the prior approval of the Chancellor, Vice-chancellor shall put the conferment of honorary degree of D. Litt., to the recommended eminent person before the management council for consideration as per section 129(1) of the Act.
7. After due consideration the management council shall recommend the eminent person to the senate for conferment of honorary degree, D. Litt. as per section 129(1) of the Act.
8. The senate shall approve the recommendation by majority of not less than two thirds of the members present at the meeting of the senate as per section 129(1) of the Act.
9. The honorary degree of D. Litt. shall be conferred in the convocation and that the recipient/s of the degree of D. Litt. shall be seated on the Dias.



(Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi)
Vice-Chancellor

Place: Gadchiroli

Date: 10.10.2021