



Gondwana University, Gadchiroli

DIRECTION NO. 18 OF 2021

“Prescribing manner of costume for Convocation for Conferring Degrees, Post-Graduate Diplomas or any other purpose Direction, 2021”.

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

Whereas, the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016(Maharashtra Act No. VI of 2017) has come into force with effect from 1st March 2017;

AND

Whereas, the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 has repealed to Maharashtra Universities Act,1994 with effect from 1st March 2017;

AND

Whereas, the Gondwana University, Gadchiroli was established by Government of Maharashtra vide Notification No. MISC-2010/ (252/10) UNI – 4 Dated 27th September, 2011 as a State University Governed by the Maharashtra Universities Act, 1994;

AND

Whereas the Gondwana University, Gadchiroli has started functioning by way of offering various academic courses commencing from the session 2012-13;

AND

Whereas, Direction No. 167 of 2013 in respect of Direction Prescribing Procedure and Norms to be followed for the Convocation was issued by the Vice Chancellor on 23-12-2013 under provision of section 14(8) of the Maharashtra Universities Act, 1994;

AND

Whereas, Direction No. 167 of 2013 in respect of “Direction prescribing procedure and norms to be followed for the Convocation” could not be converted into the Statute till the contentment of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016;

AND

Whereas, Section 130 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 provides that the convocation in the university shall be held at least once during Academic year in the Manner Prescribed by the Statute for conferring degrees, Post-Graduate Diploma or for any other purpose;

AND

Whereas, Sub-Section (2) of section 34 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 provides that the university shall have following faculties, namely: -

- (i) Faculty of Science and Technology
- (ii) Faculty of Commerce and Management
- (iii) Faculty of Humanities
- (iv) Faculty of Inter-Disciplinary Studies

AND

Whereas, Proviso of section (8) of section 12 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 provides that direction issued by the Vice-Chancellor under provision of sub-section (8) of section 12 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 shall have to be converted into statute, within six month of issuing of such direction, failing which such direction shall automatically lapse;

AND

Whereas, Direction No. 167 of 2013 issued by the Vice-Chancellor on 23/12/2013 has been automatically lapsed in the light of provision made under the proviso of sub-section (8) of section 12 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016;

AND

Whereas, there is no statute in existence in the university prescribing the manner of costume for conferring degrees, Post-Graduate Diplomas or for any other purpose in the Convocation;

AND

Whereas, the faculties namely- Arts, Science, Law, Pharmacy, Commerce, Education, Engineering and Technology, Social Sciences and Home Science in the university are now merged in the four faculties provided under section 34(2) of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016;

AND

Whereas, Dean for each faculty provided under the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 is appointed in the university as provided under sub section (1) of section 15 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016;

AND

Whereas, 6th Convocation of the university is fixed to be held on 19th Jan. 2019;

AND

Whereas, the graduands of winter 2017 and summer 2018 Examinations are attending the 6th Convocation of the university;

AND

Whereas, Statute prescribing the manner of costume for Convocation for Conferring Degrees, Post-Graduate Diplomas or any other purpose was not in existence in the university;

AND

Whereas, for regulating the manner of costumes for convocation for conferring degrees, Post- Graduate Diplomas or any other purpose in the 5th Convocation of the university schedule on 31st March 2018, the Vice-Chancellor, under provision of sub-section (8) of section 12 of the Maharashtra

Public Universities Act, 2016, had issued Direction No. 8 of 2018, on 28/03/2018;

AND

Whereas, Direction No. 8 of 2018 in respect of Manner to be prescribed for Convocation for conferring Degrees, Post-Graduate Diplomas or any other purpose Direction, 2018 could not be converted into the Statute within a period of six month as provided under the proviso of sub-section (8) of section 12 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016, hence Direction No. 8 of 2018 automatically lapsed on 27/09/2018;

AND

Whereas, making of statute for regulating the matter in the 6th Convocation in the university is time consuming process;

AND

Whereas, Management Council in its meeting held on 10/01/2019 Vide item No. 3 on the agenda paper resolved to delete wearing of gowns from the 6th Convocation of the university scheduled to be held on 19/01/2019;

AND

Whereas, Direction No. 3 of 2019 in respect of “Prescribing manner of costume for Convocation for Conferring Degrees, Post-Graduate Diplomas or any other purpose Direction, 2019” was issued by the Vice-Chancellor under the provision of sub-section (8) of section 12 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 on dated 14th January’2019;

AND

Whereas, Direction No. 3 of 2019 could not be converted into the Statute;

AND

Whereas, the above stated Direction is automatically lapsed on dated 13th July’2019;

AND

Whereas, Direction No. 6 of 2020 in respect of “Prescribing manner of costume for Convocation for Conferring Degrees, Post-Graduate Diplomas or any other purpose Direction, 2020” was issued by the Vice-Chancellor under the provision of sub-section (8) of section 12 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 on dated 19th February’2020;

AND

Whereas, Direction No. 6 of 2020 could not be converted into the Statute;

AND

Whereas, the above stated Direction is automatically lapsed on dated 18th August’2020;

AND

Whereas, the matter is required to be regulated by the statute;

AND

Whereas, no statute is provided for regulating the above said matter in the university;

AND

Whereas, preparing statute, passing it by the senate and assent to it by the Chancellor is a time consuming process;

AND

Whereas, it is expedient to re-issue the Direction No 6 of 2020 considering the exigency of the situation;

AND

Whereas, Direction No. 1 of 2021 in respect of “Prescribing manner of costume for Convocation for Conferring Degrees, Post-Graduate Diplomas or any other purpose Direction, 2020” was issued by the Vice-Chancellor under the provision of sub-section (8) of section 12 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 on dated 21st January’2021;

AND

Whereas, the above stated Direction is automatically lapsed on dated 20th July'2021;

AND

Whereas, there is an emergency to prescribe the manner of costume for Convocation for conferring degrees, Post-Graduate Diplomas and any other purpose for the 9th Convocation of the university scheduled on 12th October'2021.

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

1. This Direction may be called "Prescribing manner of costume for Convocation for Conferring Degrees, Post-Graduate Diplomas or any other purpose Direction, 2021"
2. This Direction shall come into force with effect from the date of its issuance.
3. The Management Council may, with the prior consent of the Vice-Chancellor, hold the 'Convocation'. The Management Council, if it deems necessary, may with the prior approval of the Vice-Chancellor hold second Convocation in special circumstances, like conferring Honorary Degree etc.
4. Whenever it is desirable to hold the Convocation, the Registrar shall give notice of the date of the Convocation to the members of the Corporate Body of the University and shall issue an appropriate press release.
5. The notice specified in paragraph (4) above shall be of not less than six weeks provided that the Management Council in the event may reduce the period of notice by resolution considering the available time frame.
6. The Management Council shall have the powers of determining the procedure to be followed at the Convocation and a copy of the program specifying such procedure shall be sent by the Registrar along with the notice.

7. Academic Costumes:

At Convocation and on such other ceremonial occasions as the Vice-Chancellor may appoint, full Academic Costume and Scarf or full

academic costume respectively shall be worn by all concerned as detailed below:

A) Hon'ble Chancellor	Satin Scarf of indigo colour
B) Chief Guest	Satin scarf of indigo colour
C) Guest of Honor	Satin scarf of indigo colour
D) Vice-Chancellor	Satin Scarf of indigo colour
E) Pro-Vice Chancellor	Satin scarf of indigo colour
F) Registrar	Satin Scarf of indigo colour
G) Director of Board of Examinations & Evaluation, Finance and Accounts Officer and Members of the University authorities.	Satin Scarf of indigo colour

The scarf should be worn over a dress consisting of:-

- i) For Male:-** Cream colour coat and trouser.
- ii) For Female:-** Cream colour saree with golden border and matching blouse.

H) Deans of the Faculties:-

1) Faculty of Science and Technology	Satin Scarf of Scarlet Red Colour
2) Faculty of Commerce and Management	Satin Scarf of Bottle-Green Colour
3) Faculty of Humanities	Satin Scarf of Saffron Colour
4) Faculty of Inter-Disciplinary Studies	Satin Scarf of Navy Blue Colour

I) Graduands:-

1) Faculty of Science and Technology	Scarlet Red satin scarf
2) Faculty of Commerce and Management	Bottle-Green satin scarf
3) Faculty of Humanities	Saffron satin scarf
4) Faculty of Inter-Disciplinary Studies	Navy Blue satin scarf

J) Costume for Graduand:-

i) Male graduands shall have white Pant or Pyjama or Dhoti and white shirt OR White shirt, Pant and Jodhpuri coat.

ii) Female graduands shall worn white saree with white blouse.

- 8.** Recipient of the degree of Doctor of Letters (D. Litt.) shall attire with Satin Scarf of the Navy Blue Colour.
- 9.** Every graduand eligible to attend at the Convocation shall pay such fees, as may be prescribed from time to time in this regard.
- 10.** The Degree shall, on behalf of the University, be conferred by the Chancellor, if present at the Convocation and if not, by the Vice-Chancellor.
- 11.** The conferment of the degrees/Post-Graduate Diplomas at the Convocation shall be made in such manner as may be determined by the Management Council.
- 12.** The Convocation proceedings may be held in such language as the Management Council may determine from time to time.
- 13.** The parchment of the degree shall be in such language as the Management Council may determine.
- 14.** The parchment of the degree shall be signed by the Vice-Chancellor in token of the conferral of the degree.
- 15.** Only such candidates as are eligible for the award of the Degrees / Awards / Medals / Prizes and such other distinctions, as may be specified by the Management Council from time to time, shall be invited to attend the Convocation in person.
- 16.** The Chancellor, if present at the Convocation, if not, the Vice-Chancellor shall at the Convocation declare that all examinees successful at the Degree Examinations and the Post-Graduate Diploma Examinations of the preceding Summer or Winter Examinations, as the case may be, have been admitted to their respective degrees/diplomas.
- 17.** The parchment of the degrees of the regular college candidates shall be sent to the Heads of the Colleges/Institutions/Departments who shall arrange to distribute them to the concerned candidates in a befitting manner, as early as possible, after the Convocation in stipulated time from the date of the Convocation.

- 18.** The Director of Board of Examinations and Evaluation shall send by registered post the parchment of Degrees/Diplomas of the Non-collegiate candidates who are eligible for the award of the Degrees/Diplomas to their permanent home addresses as mentioned in their applications for admission to the concerned degree examinations within a month from the date of the Convocation.
- 19.** If any uncertainty arises in giving effect to the various provisions of this Direction, the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, Gondwana University, Gadchiroli, shall decide upon for such a particular case, if any, which shall be mandatory to all the concerned.

Date: 7.10.2021
Place: Gadchiroli



(Prof. Shrinivasa Varakhedi)
Vice-Chancellor