FACULTY OF LAW

DIRECTION NO…………/2012

DIRECTION GOVERNING EXAMINATIONS LEADING TO THE POST GRADUATE DEGREE OF MASTER OF CYBER LAW AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (MCLIT) on Credit Based Semester System

[Direction issued by the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor under Section 14(8) of the M.U.Act, 1994]

WHERE AS THE Maharashtra Universities Act No. XXXV of 1994 (hereinafter referred as an Act) has come into force with effect from 22nd July, 1994 and has been amended from time to time.

AND

WHERE AS Gondwana University, Gadchiroli has been established vide Government of Maharashtra Notification No. MISC-2010(252/10) UNI – 4 Dated 27th Sep 2011 and commences its academic activities from 2012-13 academic session.

AND

WHERE AS it is expedient to introduce scheme and syllabus for **Two Year Post Graduate Degree of Master of Cyber Law and Information Technology (MCLIT)** in the faculty of law for Gondwana University

AND

WHERE AS the Board of Studies in Law in its meeting dated 13-04-2012 and subsequent meeting dated 23-04-2012 introduced and approved the scheme and syllabus for **Two Year Post Graduate Degree of Master of Cyber Law and Information Technology (MCLIT) on Credit Based Semester System** to be implemented from the academic year 2012-13.

AND

WHERE AS the Faculty of Law at its meeting held on 3/05/2012 approved the said syllabus prepared by the Board of Studies in Law.

AND

WHERE AS the Chairperson/ Dean of the Faculty requested the Vice-Chancellor of Gondwana University to approve the new syllabus on Credit Based Semester System under Section 14(7) of Maharashtra Universities Act, 1994 to meet the exigency.

AND

WHERE AS the procedure of implementing the new syllabus is urgent and emergent.

Now, therefore, I, Dr.Vijay Ainchwar, Vice-Chancellor, Gondwana University, Gadchiroli, in exercise of the powers vested in me under Section 14 (8) of the Maharashtra Universities Act, 1994 do hereby issue the following Direction:

1. **Title of the Direction:** This direction shall be called "*DIRECTION GOVERNING ADMISSIONS AND EXAMINATIONS LEADING TO THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF MASTER OF CYBER LAW & INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (MCLIT) [CREDIT BASED SEMESTER SYSTEM]*" in the faculty of Law, Gondwana University, Gadchiroli

2. **Commencement of the Direction:** It shall come into force from the academic year 2012-13.

3. **Duration of the Programme:** The duration of the programme shall be TWO academic years spread over FOUR semesters with the University Examinations at the end of each Semester. Each Academic Year shall consist of Two semesters. The academic Session for the Odd Semesters i.e. 1st & 3rd Semester, will commence as far as practicable from 1st of July every year and for the Even Semester i.e 2nd & 4th will commence, as far as practicable, from 1st of January every year.

   An examination for each of the semester shall be held twice in a year at such places and on such dates as may be fixed by the University from time to time. The fees for the examination also shall be prescribed by the University from time to time.

4. **Interpretation Clause :** Unless the context otherwise require, the following words shall have the meaning as assigned to them in this clause.

   (a) **ATKT:** means Allowed to Keep Term in Higher Semester as per the provisions of this direction.

   (b) **Course** : It is equivalent to a paper/subject in a semester. It is a complete unit of learning which will be taught and evaluated within a Semester.

   (c) **Credit** : Credit means the unit by which the course work is measured. It is measured in terms of weekly class hours assigned to a Course. In this Direction one Credit means one hour of teaching work or two hours of practical work per week for 15 weeks in a semester.

   (d) **Credit Point (CP):** It is the value obtained by multiplying the Grade Point by the Credit i.e No. of Credits assigned for the course x Grade Points secured for that course.

   (e) **Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA):** CGPA means the value obtained by dividing total number of credit points in all the semesters by the total number of credits in all the semesters.

   (f) **Grade Letter** : Grade Letter means an index to indicate the performance of a student in a particular course/ Paper. It is the transformation of actual marks secured by a student in a course/paper into a letter grade.

   (g) **Grade Point** : Grade Point means weightage allotted to each grade letter.

   (h) **Programme**: It means the Two Year Post Graduate Programme of study and examination spread over four semesters, the successful completion of which would lead to the award of Master of Cyber Law & Information Technology (MCLIT) degree.

(i)   Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA):   It means the value obtained by dividing the total credit points earned by a student in all the courses of a given semester by the total number of credits assigned to that semester.

5. Eligibility Criteria for Admission:
a) A graduate in any discipline can take admission in this course.
b) Students who have completed one year P.G.Diploma in Cyber Law and Information Technology with 50% of marks from any recognized University are eligible to take admission into Third Semester of the MCL IT programme directly.

6. Medium of Instruction and examination : the medium of instruction and Examination for this Course shall be English. Question Papers shall be set in English and Answers shall be written in English.

7. ATKT Rules :-

(a) **For Promotion to SECOND Semester**: A student admitted to the FIRST semester and appeared for atleast one theory paper in the FIRST semester, shall be allowed to be promoted to the SECOND semester

(b) **For Promotion to THIRD Semester**: The student should have passed in atleast 40% of the Papers/subjects/courses of the First Semester and atleast 40% papers of the second semester shall be allowed to be promoted to THIRD Semester.

(c) **For Promotion to FOURTH Semester**: A student admitted to the THIRD semester and who appeared for atleast one theory paper in the THIRD Semester shall be allowed to be promoted to the FOURTH semester.

8. Evaluation System on the basis of Credit based Award Pattern: The academic performance of a student during a semester shall be graded on a Seven-point scale. The grade awarded to a student shall depend on his/her performance in external and internal examinations. The academic performance of a student during a semester and at the end of the programme, shall be evaluated on the basis of:

(i) Grade Point (GP) obtained in each subject
(ii) Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA),
(iii) Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA)

At the end of each semester examination, a student shall be awarded a Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA). A Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) shall be awarded to each student at the end of Final Semester of the Programme. The details regarding method of calculating SGPA & CGPA is explained in para 9.

9. Award of Grade Letter, Grade Points, Credit Points, SGPA, CGPA:

(a) Award of Grade Letter and Grade Points:

Each course/paper shall be valued in Seven Grades. The letter grades and their equivalent grade points are listed below.

Range of % of Marks	Grade Letter	Grade Point
85 to 100	O - Outstanding	10
75 to 84	E - Excellent	9
71 to 80	A+ - Very Good	8
60 to 70	A - Good	7
55 to 59	B+ - Average	6
50 to 54	B - Pass	5
Less than 50	F - Fail	0

(b) Calculation of Credit Points :-

Credit Points for the course =   (No. of Credits assigned for the course x Grade Point secured for that course.)

(c) Semester Grade Point Average (SGPA) :- SGPA indicates the performance of a student in a given Semester. SGPA is based on the **total credit points earned by the student in all the courses** and **the total number of credits assigned to the courses/papers in a Semester.**

SGPA = $\dfrac{\text{Total Credit Points in the Semester}}{\text{Total Number of Credits for the Semester}}$

Provided that SGPA is computed only if the candidate passes in all the courses (gets a minimum 'B' Grade in all Courses).

(d) Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) : CGPA refers to the Cumulative Grade Point Average weighted across all the semesters.

CGPA = $\dfrac{\text{Total Credit Points Obtained in all Semesters}}{\text{Total Credits of all Semesters}}$

Provided that CGPA is calculated only when the candidate passes in all the courses of all the semesters. Provided further, that, the final Grade Sheet shall show the Grade and Grade Points only.

10. Standard of Passing the Semester Examinations: In order to qualify a particular examination, a candidate shall have secured at least 50% of marks in each and every theory/ Practical/Dissertation prescribed for a particular semester.
Note: for further details reference may be made to Appendix I to this direction.

11. **Maximum Period for completion of the Programme :-** Students shall complete the MCL&IT Programme within 5 successive years from the date of his/her first admission into the programme. In the event of the students failure to do so, he/she shall be required to take fresh admission into the course from 1st semester onwards without any exemption of papers/subjects/courses.

12. Award of the Degree: A student will be eligible for the award of the Degree of Master of Cyber Law and Information Technology (MCL&IT) with after he has successfully completed all the four semesters. The degree shall specify the division and CGPA of successful candidates as per the following criterion :

    i. First Division with Distinction: **CGPA from 7.00 and above**

    ii. First Division: **CGPA from 6.00 to 6.99**

    iii. Second Division :   **CGPA from 5.00 to 5.99**

13. Conversion of CGPA into Percentage of Marks: The formula used in this direction to calculate percentage of marks from CGPA is
$$\text{Percentage} = 10 \times \text{CGPA.}$$

Gadchiroli   **Dr. Vijay Ainchwar**
Dated: **Vice-Chancellor**