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NOTIFICATION

Sub: "Statutes Governing holding of Convocations for Conferring degrees of Bengaluru City University", Bengaluru.

Ref: Letter No. ED 323 UBV 2021 dated: 13.12.2021 from the Under Secretary to Government, Education Department (Higher Education & Universities), Govt. of Karnataka.

The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Education Department (Higher Education), Government of Karnataka vide letter cited above has communicated the assent of the Hon'ble Chancellor to the "Statutes Governing holding of Convocations for Conferring degrees of Bengaluru City University" as per section 41 (6) & (7) of the Karnataka State Universities Act 2000.

The "Statutes Governing holding of Convocations for Conferring degrees of Bengaluru City University" is hereby notified for information of the concerned.

BY ORDER,


REGISTRAR

To,

1. The Deans of Faculties of Arts/Commerce & Management/Science, BCU, Bengaluru.
2. The Registrar (Evaluation), BCU, Bengaluru.
3. The Finance Officer, BCU, Bengaluru.
4. The Chairpersons of all the P.G.Department, BCU, Bengaluru.
5. All the Principals of BCU Affiliated/Autonomous Colleges, Bengaluru.

Copy to:-

1. The Secretary to Governor, Raj Bhavan, Bengaluru-01.
2. The Additional Chief Secretary to Government, Education Department (Higher Education), Government of Karnataka, M.S. Building, Bengaluru -01.
3. The Members of the Syndicate/Academic Council/Finance Committee, BCU, Bengaluru.
4. All the Officers /Superintendents of BCU, Bengaluru.
5. PS to VC/ Registrar/ Registrar (Eva) /PA to FO, BUB.
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BENGALURU CITY UNIVERSITY

DRAFT-STATUTES GOVERNING HOLDING OF CONVOCATIONS FOR CONFERRING DEGREES OF THE BENGALURU CITY UNIVERSITY, 2020.

(Framed under Section 40(1) (d) and 41 of the Karnataka State Universities Act, 2000)

In exercise of the powers conferred by Section 41 Karnataka State Universities Act, 2000, the Syndicate of the Bengaluru City University do hereby makes the following Statutes, namely:

1. Title and Commencement: (1) These Statutes may be called **"STATUTES GOVERNING HOLDING OF CONVOCATIONS FOR CONFERRING DEGREES OF THE BENGALURU CITY UNIVERSITY, 2020.**

(2) They shall come into force from the date of assent of the Chancellor.

2. Definitions: Unless the context otherwise requires, the words and expressions used herein shall have the same meaning as assigned to it in the Karnataka State Universities Act, 2000, as amended from time to time.

3. Annual and Special Convocations: (1) A Convocation for the purpose of conferring degrees and Honorary Degrees shall be held once a year preferably before December or at other times as the Chancellor may direct.

(2) The Registrar shall, not less than 30 days before the Convocation, cause a notification to be published in one or more local newspapers and in the University website indicating the place, date and time of the Convocation.

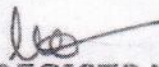
(3) A Special / Mini Convocation, if necessary, may be held on such date and time as the Syndicate may, with the Chancellor's approval, determine.


4. Degrees to be taken at Convocation: (1) After the publication of the results of the final year degree examinations held every year, the Registrar (Evaluation) will prepare a list of candidates eligible to receive their degrees at the next annual convocation.

(2) All those whose names appear in the list of successful candidates for any of the degrees of the University shall receive their respective degrees in person or in absentia at any Convocation held after such lists are approved by the Syndicate and the Academic Council.

(3) In case, the names of any of the candidates, who have become eligible to be included in the said list of candidates to receive the degrees in the said Convocation, but have not been included in the said list, either on

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account of any mistake or inadvertence on the part of the concerned staff of the University in preparing such list or due to any other ground, such names of the candidates could be added to the said list at any time subsequently, with the prior approval of the Vice-Chancellor after a note mentioning the circumstances under which such names are sought to be included in the said list is circulated to the Syndicate and the Academic Council.

Note: When any name of such candidates is added to such list, the reason for such inclusion and the particulars of the order under which approval of the Vice-Chancellor was obtained should be clearly mentioned in such list.

(4) No candidate who has already been admitted to a degree and has been awarded his degree shall be admitted at a Convocation a second time to the same degree notwithstanding that he may have become qualified in an additional group or branch or in an additional language or has obtained a higher class. An endorsement shall be made upon his diploma setting forth the further examination passed by him with dates and class, if any.

(5) Admission to the Convocation shall be limited to the candidates eligible for Postgraduate Degrees, M.Phil, Ph.D, Honorary Degrees and winners of prizes and medals at the Postgraduate/Undergraduate Degree examinations.

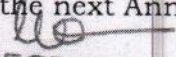
5. Application for admission to a degree: (1) No candidate shall be admitted to the Convocation in person who has not submitted to the Registrar (Evaluation), his application for admission to the degree in the prescribed form along with the fee prescribed. No person shall be admitted to the Convocation who has not thus applied.

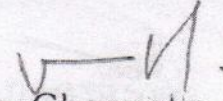
(2) No candidate shall be admitted to a degree 'in absentia' at a Convocation who has not submitted his application to the Registrar (Evaluation) in the prescribed form along with the prescribed fee.

(3) It shall, however, be competent for the Vice-Chancellor for satisfactory reasons shown to grant a Degree Certificate to a candidate who is eligible for such degree prior to the Convocation, subject to such candidate being admitted to the degree.

(4) Between two Annual Convocations, if University Examinations are held and the students are successful in such examinations thus becoming eligible for conferment of Degrees at the next Annual Convocation, the Registrar (Evaluation) is competent to issue Provisional Certificate declaring them to have passed such public examinations. Such candidates will, however, be entitled for conferment of degrees only at the next Annual Convocation.

(5) Degree Certificates to such candidates will be issued only on an application made to the Registrar (Evaluation) by paying the prescribed fees at the next Annual Convocation.


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6. Declaration to be signed: Every candidate applying for the degree shall sign a declaration in the following form, before he is admitted to the degree for which he may have been recommended:

"I hereby solemnly declare and promise that, if admitted to the Degree for which I have been recommended, I shall in my daily life and conversation, conduct myself as befits a member of this University, that I shall to the utmost of my capacity and opportunity, support the cause of morality and sound learning, and that as far as it lies, I shall uphold and advance the social order and well-being of my fellowmen".

7. Attendance of Candidates: The candidates who are to be awarded degrees at any University Convocation ceremony shall be required to come in such dress as may be prescribed by the University and shall occupy their respective seats before the proceedings begin.

8. Meetings of the Syndicate and the Academic Council: (1) There shall be a meeting of the Syndicate in which the Registrar (Evaluation) shall submit the list of candidates eligible to receive Degrees for approval.

(2) There shall be a meeting of the Academic Council prior to the Convocation at which the reports of the Syndicate containing lists of candidates recommended for admission to the various degrees shall be approved.

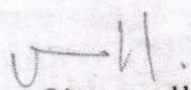
9. Convocation Procession: (1) The Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, the Members of the Syndicate and the Academic Council shall pass in procession to the place where the Convocation is to be held, the order of the procession being as under:

- i) The Registrar (Evaluation), who shall be the Mace Bearer
- ii) The Members of the Syndicate and the Academic Council (in pairs)
- iii) The Deans of Faculties (in pairs)
- iv) The Registrar
- v) Recipients of Honorary Degrees (if any)
- vi) The Vice-Chancellor
- vii) The Pro-Chancellor
- viii) The Chief Guest and
- ix) The Chancellor (followed by Aide-de-camp)

(2) Members will walk abreast and separate at the Dias when the members to the right go up on the Dias from the right side and the members to the left on the left side. All will remain standing until the Chancellor and others in the procession have taken their seats.

10. Conferment of degrees: (1) After the members forming the procession have taken their places, the Vice-Chancellor will request the Chancellor or the Pro-Chancellor in the absence of the Chancellor, to declare the Convocation open in the following words:-


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"Mr. /Madam Chancellor / Pro-Chancellor,

I have the Honour to request you, Sir/Madam, to declare the Convocation open.

The Chancellor or the Pro-Chancellor in the absence of the Chancellor, or the Vice-Chancellor in the absence of both the Chancellor and the Pro-Chancellor, will then declare the Convocation open.

The Chancellor/Pro-Chancellor/Vice-Chancellor will then say,

"I declare the Convocation open. This Convocation of the Bengaluru City University has been called to confer Degrees upon the candidates who in the examinations held for the purpose, have been successful and certified to be worthy of receiving the Degrees and also to confer Honorary Degrees. Let the candidates be presented".

(2) The Dean of each Faculty or in his absence, a member nominated for the purpose by the Vice-Chancellor, shall present the candidates to the Chancellor, for the award of degrees relating to his faculty. The presentation will be in the following order:

- (i) Faculty of Arts;
- (ii) Faculty of Science and Technology;
- (iii) Faculty of Commerce and Management;
- (iv) Faculty of Education; and
- (v) Faculty of Law;

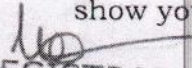
(3) The Dean of each Faculty or the person authorized in this behalf by the Vice-Chancellor will present the candidates thus:


"Sir,
I present the candidates whose names are set out in the list for the degrees of.....under the Faculty of..... They have been examined and found qualified for the respective degrees to which I pray they may be admitted".

All the candidates who belong to the various degrees under the Faculty will rise from their seats and bow to the Chancellor/Pro-Chancellor/Vice-Chancellor and then resume their seats.

(4) At the conclusion of presentation of candidates, the Chancellor / Pro-Chancellor / Vice-Chancellor shall say to the candidates:

"By virtue of the authority vested in me as Chancellor / Pro-Chancellor / Vice-Chancellor of this University, I admit you to the various degrees awarded by the Bengaluru City University and I charge you that ever in your life, in conversation and conduct you show yourself worthy of the same".


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(5) After all the candidates taking degrees in person have been admitted, the Chancellor / Pro-Chancellor / Vice-Chancellor will admit candidates taking the degrees *in absentia*. He will say -


"By virtue of the authority vested in me as Chancellor / Pro-Chancellor / Vice-Chancellor of this University, I admit also the rest of the candidates whose names are set out in the lists to their respective degrees *in absentia*".

(6) After all the candidates taking degrees *in person* and *in absentia* have been admitted, the Vice-Chancellor or a person nominated by him with the permission of the Chancellor / Pro-Chancellor will read the extracts of commandments from the "**Taittiriya Upanishat**" both in the original and in Kannada, which is as follows:

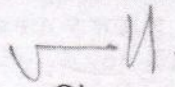
ಅನುಶಾಸನ (Commandments)		
ಸತ್ಯಂ ವದ ಧರ್ಮಂಚರ ಸ್ವಾಧ್ಯಾಯಾನ್ಯಾ ಪ್ರಮದ:	ಸತ್ಯವನ್ನು ನುಡಿ ಧರ್ಮದಲ್ಲಿ ನಡೆ ಅಧ್ಯಯನವನ್ನು ಬಿಡಬೇಡ	Speak the truth Live righteously Do not neglect the pursuit of knowledge
ಮಾತೃದೇವೋ ಭವ ಪಿತೃದೇವೋ ಭವ ಆಚಾರ್ಯದೇವೋ ಭವ ಅತಿಥಿದೇವೋ ಭವ ಶ್ರದ್ಧಯಾದೇಯಂ ಅಶ್ರದ್ಧಯಾದೇಯಂ ಶ್ರೀಯಾ ದೇಯಂ ಹ್ರಿಯಾದೇಯಂ ಭಿಯಾದೇಯಂ ಸಂವಿದಾದೇಯಂ ಏಷ ಆದೇಶಃ ಏಷ ಉಪದೇಶಃ	ತಾಯಿಯನ್ನು ದೇವರೆಂದು ಪ್ರೀತಿಸು ತಂದೆಯನ್ನು ದೇವರೆಂದು ಪೂಜಿಸು ಆಚಾರ್ಯರನ್ನು ದೇವರೆಂದು ಗೌರವಿಸು ಅತಿಥಿಯನ್ನು ದೇವರೆಂದು ಸತ್ಕರಿಸು ಶ್ರದ್ಧೆಯಿಂದ ಕೊಡತಕ್ಕದ್ದು ಅಶ್ರದ್ಧೆಯಿಂದ ಕೊಡತಕ್ಕದ್ದಲ್ಲ ಸಂತೋಷದಿಂದ ಕೊಡತಕ್ಕದ್ದು ನಮ್ರತೆಯಿಂದ ಕೊಡತಕ್ಕದ್ದು (ದೇವರ) ಭಯದಿಂದ ಕೊಡತಕ್ಕದ್ದು ಸೌಹಾರ್ದದಿಂದ ಕೊಡತಕ್ಕದ್ದು ಇದು ಅಪ್ಪಣೆ ಇದು ಉಪದೇಶ	Love your mother as God Adore your father as God Respect your teacher as God Honour your guest as God Give with faith Give not without faith Give with grace Give with humility Give with fear of God Give with understanding This is the command This is the instruction
(ತೈತ್ತಿರೀಯೋಪನಿಷದ್)		(Taittiriyanishad)

(7) The names of medalists and prize winners will then be read out by the Registrar. The candidates will proceed to the Chancellor / Pro-Chancellor / Vice-Chancellor to receive the prizes and medals, bow to the Chancellor / Pro-Chancellor / Vice-Chancellor and resume their seats. The medals and prizes will be presented to the candidates by the Chancellor / Pro-Chancellor / Vice-Chancellor in the order in which the names are called by the Registrar. The Registrar (Evaluation) will submit the medals and prizes to the Chancellor / Pro-Chancellor / Vice-Chancellor in the order in which they are to be presented.

11. Convocation Address: (1) The Vice-Chancellor shall introduce the Chief Guest, present a brief report of activities of the University during the previous year and request the Chief Guest to address the Convocation.


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(2) An address suitable to the occasion shall then be delivered by the Chief Guest. At the conclusion of the address, the Chancellor / Pro-Chancellor / Vice-Chancellor will say,

"I dissolve the Convocation".

12. Return Procession: The procession will then return in the reverse order as follows:-

- (1) Mace Bearer, the Registrar (Evaluation)
- (2) The Chancellor (followed by Aides-decamp).
- (3) The Chief Guest
- (4) The Pro-Chancellor
- (5) The Vice-Chancellor
- (6) Honorary Degree awardee(s), (if any)
- (7) The Registrar
- (8) The Deans of Faculties
- (9) The Members of the Syndicate and Academic Council (in pairs)

13. Schedule of Robes:

13.1. The Ceremonial dresses shall be stitched using handloom fabric.

13.2. The candidates who are to be awarded degrees are required to come in white dress. The colour of the badges for the graduates of the different Faculties shall be as follows:

i) Faculty of Arts	-	Green
ii) Faculty of Science and Technology	-	Crimson
iii) Faculty of Commerce and Management	-	Golden Yellow
iv) Faculty of Law	-	Violet
v) Faculty of Education	-	Blue

13.3 The Deans of respective faculties shall wear robes of same colour mentioned above.

13.4 Schedule of Robes for the Chancellor, the Pro-Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, the Registrar, the Registrar (Evaluation), Members of the Syndicate and the Academic Council:

(1) CHANCELLOR

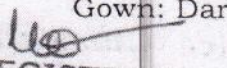
Gown: Rich dark red with golden yellow lacing.

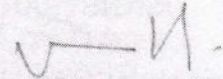
(2) PRO-CHANCELLOR:

Gown: Rich dark crimson with golden yellow lacing.

(3) VICE CHANCELLOR,

Gown: Dark Blue with Golden yellow lacing.


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(4) REGISTRAR AND REGISTRAR (EVALUATION):

Gown: Sky Blue laced gown.

(5) CHIEF GUEST:

Gown: Rich vermilion with golden yellow lacing.

(6) MEMBERS OF THE SYNDICATE:

Gown: Saffron with three inches gold coloured border or Braid of silk from each shoulder to the bottom in front or the gown.

(7) MEMBERS OF THE ACADEMIC COUNCIL:

Gown: Green gown with three inches gold coloured border or Braid of silk from each shoulder to the bottom in front or the gown.

(8) HONORARY DEGREE RECIPIENTS:

Robe : White gown

LL.D. Crimson silk with gold lacing

D.Sc. Crimson silk with blue border


D.Litt. Crimson silk with red border

D.Lit. Crimson silk with green border


14. Notwithstanding anything contained in 1 to 13 above, the Vice-Chancellor may, with reference to any particular Convocation, for reasons to be recorded in writing, by order, specify a different procedure to be adopted for conferment of degrees at such Convocation.


15. Honorary Degrees: The procedure indicated above shall apply generally in the case of conferment of Honorary Degrees also, except that in the latter case the recipient of the degree may make a brief speech after receiving the degree.

16. Power to Remove Difficulties: If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of these Statutes, the Vice Chancellor may by order make such provisions not inconsistent with the Act, Ordinances or other Statutes, as appears to be necessary or expedient to remove the difficulty.


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