



UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
BAHADURSHAH ZAFAR MARG
NEW DELHI – 110002

F.No152-1/2012(IC)

November, 2012

The Registrar

Sub: Admission of foreign diplomats to regular academic course in Universities in India.

Sir/ Madam,

The Ministry of Human Resource Development vide their office letter No. 13-20/2012-ICC dated 20-9-2012 has enclosed a copy of OM No. AAI/327/30/2009 dated 31-08-2012 alongwith its enclosures received from Ministry of External Affairs in wherein Ministry has invited attention to their OM of even number dated 20th February 2009 and 31st July 2012 (copies enclosed for ready reference) circulating guidelines on the above subject and has mentioned that;

*"It is stated that in partial modification of the above guidelines, it has now been decided with the approval of the Minister of External Affairs that **foreign diplomats** wishing to pursue studies in Indian Universities while on **diplomatic Visa** in India will have to refer their requests containing details of their proposed course of study to the Protocol Division of the Ministry of External Affairs for consideration. The Ministry of External Affairs will consider each request on merit and intimate its decision within a period of four weeks from date of receipt of such requests".*

This is for your information and necessary action please.

Yours faithfully,


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Note:-

For any query MEA may be contacted.

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F.No.13-20/2012-ICC
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education
International Cooperation Cell

21090
24/9/12

New Delhi, dated the 20th September 2012

Subject: Admission of foreign diplomats to regular academic courses in Universities in India

Please find enclosed herewith a copy of OM No. AAI/327/30/2009 dated 31.8.2012 along with its enclosures received from MEA on the subject mentioned above.

2. MEA has informed that, with the approval of the Minister of External Affairs, it has been decided that foreign diplomats wishing to pursue studies in Indian Universities while on diplomatic visa in India will have to refer their requests containing details of their proposed course of study to the Protocol Division of the Ministry of External Affairs for consideration. The Ministry of External Affairs will consider each request on merit and intimate its decision within a period of four weeks from date of receipt of such requests. These guidelines are applicable to diplomats and staff members of the diplomatic missions etc. and not to their spouses and dependents.

3. You are requested to kindly circulate the above changes in the existing guidelines to all Indian Universities in India for their information and strict compliance.

for necessary action please see at ②

Secretary 24/9/12

(Veena Dunga)
Under Secretary (ICC)
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Shri Ved Prakash
Chairman
University Grants Commission
2, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg
New Delhi - 110002

24/9

Copy to: Shri R.K. Sachdeva, Joint Secretary (Parl. & VIP), Ministry of External Affairs, Coordination Division, South Block, New Delhi. W.r.t OM No.AAI/327/30/2009 dated 31.8.2012

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Date 05/09/2012

Most Immediate

Ministry of External Affairs
Coordination Division

No. AAI/327/30/2009

Dated: 31st August 2012

Office Memorandum

Subject: Admission of foreign diplomats to regular academic courses in Universities in India.

Reference is invited to our O.M. of even number dated 20th February 2009 and 31st July 2012 (copies enclosed for ready reference) circulating guidelines on the above subject.


2. It is further clarified in the matter that instructions contained in our above O.M. are applicable to diplomats and staff members of the diplomatic missions etc. and not to their spouses and dependents.

3. Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Higher Education is requested to kindly circulate the above changes in the existing guidelines to the University Grants Commission and all Indian Universities in India for their information and strict compliance.

4. It would be highly appreciated if the action taken in this regard is confirmed at the earliest possible,


(R.K. Sachdeva)
Joint Secretary (Parl. & VIP)

Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education
(Kind attention: Shri Ashok Thakur, Secretary)
Room No 128 C Wing Shastri Bhavan
New Delhi


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Most Immediate

Ministry of External Affairs
Coordination Division

No. AAI/327/30/2009

Dated: 31st July 2012

Office Memorandum

Subject: Admission of foreign diplomats to regular academic courses in Universities in India.

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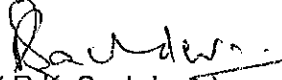
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(R.K. Sachdeva)
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Room No 128 C Wing Shastri Bhavan
New Delhi

Copy to :

1. The Chairman, University Grants Commission, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi -110002.
2. JS(Foreigners) , Ministry of Home Affairs, Jaisalmer House, New Delhi


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Ministry of External Affairs
(Coordination Division)

No.AAI/327/30/2009

20th February, 2009

Office Memorandum

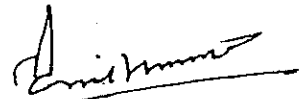
Subject: Admission of foreign diplomats to regular academic courses in Universities in India.

In response to a query recently received in this Ministry regarding procedures to be followed for the admission of foreign diplomats based in India to regular academic courses, Ph. D Research Programmes, etc., the matter was considered, in detail, in this Ministry.

It has been decided, with the approval of the Minister of External Affairs, that foreign diplomats wishing to study in Indian Universities will be required to undergo a change in their visa status i.e. they will be permitted to pursue studies on a student visa only and not on a diplomatic visa.

The Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Higher Education is requested to bring the above to the notice of the University Grants Commission and all Universities in India for their information and strict compliance.

It would be greatly appreciated if the action taken in this regard is confirmed at the earliest possible.



(Anil Kumar Anand)
Joint Secretary (Coordination)

Ministry of Human Resource Development,
Department of Higher Education,
(Kind attention: Shri Sunil Kumar, JS)
Room 216 'C', Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi.

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(Anil Kumar Anand)
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