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Sub: Extension of Autonomous Status upon St. Joseph's College for Women (Autonomous)-reg.

Madam/Sir,

This is with reference to the proposal submitted by St. Joseph's College for Women (Autonomous), Gnana Puram, Visakhapatnam, affiliated to Andhra University, Andhra Pradesh, for the extension of autonomous status.

The Commission, in its meeting held on 03.04.2025, has approved the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Autonomous Colleges to extend the autonomous status upon St. Joseph's College for Women (Autonomous), Gnana Puram, Visakhapatnam, 530004, affiliated to Andhra University, Andhra Pradesh, for a period of 10 years from the academic year 2025-2026 to 2034-2035, as per clause 8.2 of the UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023.

The University is, therefore, requested to issue the necessary notification within 30 days regarding the extension of autonomous status to the College as per the above-mentioned UGC Regulations. The autonomous college is required to abide by all the provisions of the UGC Regulations for Autonomous Colleges, 2023. The Regulations are available on [www.ugc.gov.in](http://www.ugc.gov.in). Non-compliance with the requirements and conditions prescribed in the said Regulations shall attract action as per Clause -13 of the UGC Regulations, 2023. The college shall apply to the University Grants Commission for an extension of autonomous status at least three months before the completion of the period of autonomy.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. R Manoj Kumar)

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- a. The Autonomous Colleges shall at all times adhere to UGC Regulations and Guidelines made and issued by the Commission from time to time, failing which UGC may take appropriate action against the defaulting Autonomous College, including revocation of autonomous status as per clause 13.1 of the UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023.
  - b. The Autonomous College shall start certificate or diploma courses as well as a new degree programme at the UG and PG levels only after obtaining the approval of the concerned Statutory Council, wherever required, as mandated by clauses 10.1 and 10.2 of the UGC Regulations, 2023.
  - c. Ph.D. Programmes shall be offered strictly as per the UGC Regulations notified in this regard from time to time.
  - d. The College shall apply for the required NAAC/NBA accreditation at least six months before the expiry of the current validity and obtain the NAAC/NBA grading as per UGC Regulations, 2023 and intimate the same to UGC.
  - e. The College shall upload a report on its website regarding the Examination Cell and the constitution of Statutory Bodies as required under clauses 11 and 12 of the UGC Regulations, 2023, and a report of the External Peer Team, to ensure proper management of academic, financial, and general administrative affairs.
  - f. The college shall strictly comply with clause 9 of the UGC Regulations, 2023.
  - g. The College is advised to take necessary steps for the implementation of NEP 2020 and upload the same on the UGC UTSAH Portal - <https://utsah.ugc.ac.in/> and shall also register and upload credits on the ABC portal - <https://www.abc.gov.in/>

(Dr. R Manoj Kumar)