

MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY

(Abstract)

Amendments in rules granting special concessions to mentally challenged candidates –
Recommendations of the Syndicate Standing Committee on Examinations - Approved - Orders issued.

ACADEMIC A1 SECTION

U.O. No: 5315/A1/2011/Acad.

Dated, Priyadarsini Hills, 26.09.2011.

- Read: 1. U.O. No. 5374/A1/2009/Acad dated 04.12.2009
2. Request dated 11.05.2010 in respect of Shri. Arjun S. Menon, B.A. Economics (2007-2010 batch) student of St. Albert's College, Ernakulam.
3. Item No. 4571 of the extract of the Minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate Standing Committee on Examinations held on 23.08.2011.

ORDER

As per existing rules, vide paper (1) read above, mentally challenged candidates with a disability of 40% or above are extended the benefits of extra time of half an hour and the services of an interpreter during University examinations and grace marks @ 20% of the marks scored by the candidate in the theory examination. A request was received, vide paper (2) read above, in respect of a candidate with a disability of 20% seeking the benefit of grace marks @ 20% of the marks scored by him in the University examinations. Taking into account of the fact that mentally challenged candidates require lenient and empathetic consideration for enabling them to complete the requirements for attaining a University Degree, a proposal was submitted to the Syndicate for considering an amendment in the existing rules regarding the percentage of disability and the benefits granted to such candidates, keeping in line with the practice followed in the Directorate of Higher Secondary Education in this regard.

The matter was considered by the Syndicate Standing Committee on Examinations and it was resolved, vide paper (3) read above, to recommend to amend the present rules in respect of concessions granted to mentally challenged candidates, on the production of a medical certificate stating the percentage of disability issued by a competent Medical Board, as follows:

1. Extra time of half an hour and the services of an interpreter during the University examinations in respect of candidates with a disability of 40% or above.
2. Grace marks @ 25% of the total marks for theory papers, irrespective of the percentage of disability.

The Vice-Chancellor, exercising powers under Chapter 3, Section 10 (17) of the Mahatma Gandhi University Act 1985 has approved the above recommendations of the Syndicate Standing Committee on Examinations.

The U.O. read as paper (1) above stands modified to this extent.

Orders are issued accordingly.

Sd/-
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