



MAHATMA GANDHI UNIVERSITY, KERALA

Abstract

LLB Programmes- Alternatives for internship for all the batches of both Three year(2018 admission onwards) and Five year LLB (prior to 2018 and 2018 admission onwards) Programmes - in view of Covid-19 out break issues -recommendations of the Board of Studies endorsed by the Dean of Law -Approved-Orders Issued in compliance with the Judgement of the Hon'ble HC .

ACADEMIC A 4 SECTION

No. 3933/AC A 4/2021/MGU

Priyadarsini Hills, Dated: 11.08.2021

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1. Judgement of the Hon'ble H C in W.P.(C) No.8706 of 2021 dated 01.07.2021.
 2. Minutes of Board of Studies in Law (UG , PG combined) dated 19.07.2021
 3. Recommendations dated 30.07.2021 of Dean (Faculty of Law) of the University
 4. Orders of Hon'ble Vice Chancellor dated 06.08.2021.

ORDER

The Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in its judgment in WP (C) No. 8706/2021 dated 1-7-2021 filed by Ms.Jomol John, B Com LLB student of Govt.Law College, Ernakulam, has directed University to adopt appropriate alternatives which it may feel adequate to satisfy the Internship requirements of the five year integrated Law Degree Course in view of covid -19 outbreak issues vide ref(1) above.

In this connection , the directives of BCI in its communication dated nil figuring the extracts of its General Council Meeting held on 29.08.2020, and UGC (Letter No. D.O.No. F.1-1/2020(Secy) dated 04.05.2020 which had allowed Universities to take appropriate steps to meet the exigencies in accomplishing the requirements of the Practical components of the programmes in view of the prevalence of pandemic and protocols associated with it, were also considered .

The Hon'ble Vice Chancellor on considering the matter in detail had ordered to seek remarks of the Board of studies in Law (UG-PG Combined) in this regard wherein the Chairperson , Board of Studies in Law vide ref (2) above recommended the following alternatives for the Compulsory Internship of both three year and five year LLB programmes being conducted under the University

1.For those students who are unable to fulfill the requirement of internship forming the part of the compulsory Clinical Courses due to Covid-19 pandemic restrictions, the institutions shall assign specific topics for doing Assignments . The students are required to submit one handwritten assignment each via email/ post/ or by other means at their convenience in lieu of each spell of the internship which they ought to have accomplished since the onset of pandemic restrictions . The topics of the assignment shall be either Case Comments on the recent decisions of the constitutional courts, or recent major impact making legislations or study of institutions of governance or mechanisms created for access to justice etc. which do not demand physical movement for its accomplishment.

2. If any of the students have undergone Online Internships Program since the onset of the pandemic restrictions program having a duration of 14 days or more, it shall be

considered as a legitimate substitute of the stipulated internship for a spell.

3.The institutions can also organise Online Certificate Courses spanning over a period of 15 days of 30 hours duration and the participation of the students in such courses and submission of reports can be considered as an alternative .

4.The alternative modes adopted shall form part of the Internship Diary along with the other two requirements-Interviewing Techniques and Pre-trial preparations -the practical components in segment (c) of the Compulsory Clinical Papers and for the VivaVoce also .

The Faculty in Charge shall scrutinize the Certificate issued to the student on successful completion of such online Programmes and the students can be required to submit a Hand Written Account reflective of the course content of such Internship Programme. The institutions shall decide the time frame work of submissions without compromising the quality and content of the report being submitted.

The mandatory stipulations in the Regulations of the both the Five Year Streams and the Three Year Unitary Streams mentioned above with regard to (a) stipulated duration of compulsory spells, (b) organizations with which the students shall intern, (c), the limitations regarding combination of spells, (d) preparation and upkeep of internship diary etc. shall remain relaxed to the above extent during the period of the restrictions

The Dean, Faculty of Law had endorsed the above recommendations for compliance vide ref.3 cited.

On considering the urgency of matter, vide ref(4) above, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, exercising powers of Academic Council under Section 10(17) of Chapter 3 of MG University Act, 1985, has approved the above recommendations .

Orders are issued accordingly in compliance with the judgement of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala in WP (C) No. 8706/2021 dated 01.07.2021.

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