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Dr. Akhilesh Gupta Secretary

## D.O.No.14-9/2013 (CPP-II)

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Hon'ble Supreme Court of India in its judgment and order delivered on April 25, 2013 in Civil Appeal No.1145 of 2004 and Civil Appeal No 5736-5745 of 2004, has ruled that the colleges affiliated to a university do not come under the purview of the definition of "Technical Institution" as defined under Section 2(h) of the AICTE Act, 1987. In such a case, AICTE cannot directly control or supervise the affiliated colleges.

In view of this judgment, it becomes imperative for the universities and University Grants Commission (UGC) to evolve a suitable methodology to ensure that existing technical/engineering colleges affiliated to universities do not dilute standards of technical education imparted by them. It is of utmost importance that universities having power of affiliation, exercise due care and diligence while granting permanent affiliation or affiliation to new technical colleges. Any dilution of standards of technical education at this juncture would also belie the trust reposed by the Hon'ble Supreme Court on the sanctity of autonomy of universities.

UGC, in the meantime, is working on preparing suitable guidelines/ regulations for ensuring standards of teaching and learning in affiliated colleges offering courses/programs of professional and technical nature. In view of above, I request you to ensure that no further affiliations are granted to any more affiliated colleges offering courses/programs of professional and technical nature till UGC reaches out to you again.

With regards,

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