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To,

- 1. The Vice-Chancellors of all the, Universities imparting Legal Education
- 2. The Registrars of all the, Universities imparting Legal Education
- 3. The Principals/The Deans of all the, Centre of Legal Education/Law Institutions
- Sub.: Circular regarding extension of date for compliance of the circular dated 5th February, 2020 issued by Bar Council of India vide letter No. BCI:D:158(LE:Circular No. 01/2020), and of the show cause notices and compliance letters further, in general, till 28th February 2021.

Sir/s Ma'am/s,

This is to bring to your kind knowledge that as per the circular 05.02.2020 No.BCI:D:158 bearing (LE:Circulation No.01/2020), issued to all Centers of Legal education, every center of Legal Education /college was required to submit a certified authenticated bank statement bearing bank stamp, date and signature, mandatorily with respect to the salary/ies being disbursed to all the teachers/faculties every three months from date of receipt of communication on a regular basis, unless specifically sought at other intervals, and also furnish teachers with qualifications as per BCI and UGC Rules, and further fulfillment furnish proof/receipts of of minimum enumerated Schedule-III, requirements, as under Rule-15, Minimum Library requirements of Legal Education Rules-which is the sine qua non of a Center of Legal Education.

Certain show cause notices and compliance letters had also been issued specifically to certain Centers of Legal Education/Colleges, with conditions mentioned therein to be complied with.

The time for compliance of the circular and the show cause notices and compliance letters had been extended till 31st October, 2020 by virtue of the resolution passed on 24th June 2020 by the Bar Council of India.

By virtue of the resolution in the meetings of 9th, 10th and 11th of November,2020, the Standing Committee of the Legal Education Committee of the Bar Council of India has considered the requests received from many quarters to further extend such date and owing to the prevalency of the pandemic has decided to further extend the date for compliance of the circular of 5th February, 2020, and of the show cause notices and compliance letters in general further till 28th February 2021.

It is made clear that if any Center of Legal Education, fails to submit all the required documents as sought by way of the referred circular and the show cause notices(where applicable), and compliance letters, in general, which have already been issued, and the subsequent circulars etc to be issued in this regard, on or before 28th February, 2021, including certified authenticated bank statements, library receipts and faculty list with qualifications and UGC pay scale, then their application for extension of approval for 2021-2022 shall not be considered and/or approval already granted may be withdrawn.

The Center/s of Legal Education/College may take a note of the above mentioned facts and furnish compliance of the same and of the other rules and regulations of Legal Education, including the stipulations specified in the abovesaid referred circular/s, show cause notices and compliance letters, and in Annexure A, attached to provisional approval of affiliation letter, which as a general norm shall be required be complied with by/on/before 28.02.2021 with adequate documentary proof and by way of a notarized affidavit, failing which as stated above their application for extension of approval for 2021-2022 shall not be considered and/or approval already granted may be withdrawn.

Yours sincerely,

Srimanto Sen
Secretary
Bar Council of India