

- v) Proposal regarding opening branches of Indian Universities in Vietnam.

The Ministry of External Affairs, New-Delhi vide letter No:SI/3-1/8/2001 of September 21, 01, placed at Annexure 'A' conveyed to the MHRD an appeal made by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Vietnam to open branches of Indian Universities in Vietnam, initially with faculties for teaching English, IT, Bio-Technology etc.

On the above, context, the MHRD, New Delhi wrote to the Association of Indian Universities for their views/comments in the matter. The Ministry's letter is placed at Annexure-'B'.

The Standing Committee of the Association of Indian Universities has approved the proposal mentioned above and has Resolved to commend it to the Universities for taking appropriate action thereon. As such, the said Association has written to all Vice-Chancellors/Directors of Member-Universities/Institutions vide letter No:Meet:SC:267:2001 of November '20, 01 at Annexure-'C' for taking appropriate action in the matter.

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In this connections, an reply made to the above Association by the Vice-Chancellor is placed as Annexure-'D'

The matter is placed before the council for consideration.

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Suryakanthi Tripathi
Joint Secretary(South)

Ministry of External Affairs
New Delhi

No:SI/321/8/2001

September 21, 01

Dear Shri Chatterji

During his visit last week, the Minister of Foreign Affairs of Vietnam made an appeal to consider opening of branches of Indian Universities in Vietnam. As you know, many Vietnamese are handicapped owing to an inadequate working knowledge of the English language. Vietnam's Information Technology sector is in its infancy, and the lack of knowledge of English is also contributing to its slow progress. Our ITEC slots to train Vietnamese students, our scholarship schemes, etc, are greatly appreciated, but it still does not address the major problem. Vietnam is a South-East Asian neighbour with whom we have excellent, time-tested, mutually beneficial relationship.

2. We are of the view that we should seriously consider the Vietnamese Foreign Minister's appeal. I shall be grateful if you could explore possibilities of opening branches of Indian Universities in Vietnam, with faculties for teaching English I.T, Bio-Technology, etc. to begin with Branches of our Universities in Vietnam will greatly impact the Vietnamese, will revolutionise their education scene and will significantly boost our relations with that country. It will, very significantly, also provide export opportunities for India in the education sector.

3. I would be grateful to have your initial views in this matter, after which we could have a detailed discussion with other Departments concerned.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

(Suryakanthi Tripathi)

Shri Champak Chatterji,
Joint Secretary (Higher Education),
Department of Education, (Ministry of HRD),
Shastri Bhawan, New-Delhi.

Copy to :-

1. Shri A Nigavekar, Vice Chairman, University Grants Commission, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi-110002
2. Shri Saurabh Kumar, Ambassador of India, Hanoi.

Sd/-
(Suryakanthi Tripathi)

Champak Chatterji
Joint Secretary (HE)

Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Secondary and Higher
Education, Government of India,
Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001

D. No: F.33-19/2001-U.4

Date: October 16, 01

Dear Dr Powar,

Kindly find enclosed a copy of letter No:SI/321/8/2001 dated September 21, 01 from Ministry of External Affairs regarding opening of branches of Indian Universities in Vietnam.

2. I shall be grateful if you could kindly look into the matter personally and arrange to furnish the views/comments of Association of Indian Universities at the earliest on the proposal.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

(Champak Chatterji)

Prof K B Powar
Secretary General
Association of Indian Universities,
16, Kotla Marg
New Delhi-110002.

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Annexure-'C'

Prof K B Powar
Secretary General

ASSOCIATION OF INDIAN UNIVERSITIES
ALU HOUSE, 16, KOTLA MARG,
NEW DELHI-110002

Meet:SC:267:2001:

November 20, 2001

Dear Vice-Chancellor/Director,

The standing Committee of the Association at its 267th meeting held at Indian Institute of Information Technology, Allahabad on November 6, 2001, considered a proposal received from Shri Champak Chatterji, Joint Secretary, Department of Secondary and Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, New Delhi, regarding opening branches of Indian Universities in Vietnam. The standing Committee approved the proposal and resolved to commend it to Universities for taking appropriate action thereon.

I am enclosing a copy of the proposal received for taking appropriate action on it.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

Encl: As above.

(K B Powar)

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Annexure-'D'

NORTH-EASTERN HILL UNIVERSITY
NEHU Campus, Shillong-793022(Meghalaya)

Mrinal Miri
Vice-Chancellor

No:NEHU-VCF 7-1/2001-1524
5th December'01

Dear Prof Power,

Thank you very much for your letter about the proposal to open branches of Universities in Vietnam. I think it is an extremely useful proposal and on our part, in this University, we are prepared to take it quite seriously. I shall have it discussed in our Executive Council and shall let you know the outcome.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

(Mrinal Miri)

Prof K B Power,
Secretary General,
Association of Indian Universities,
AIU House, 16, Kotla Marg
New Delhi :-110002

Copy to :- Dy Registrar(Conference)along with the original letter and the enclosure received from Prof Power.

Sd/-
(Mrinal Miri)

5:6- Establishment of new Deptts. / Centres/ Courses

(i) Establishment of a Women's Cell in the University.

EC:111:2001:5:6:(i): The Council considered the draft Ordinance on the establishment of a Women's Cell in the University and **RESOLVED** to approve the same as per Annexure 'C'. The Committee will also frame a Regulation on the working of the Cell.

(ii) Request from the Principal, St. Anthony's College, for introduction of PG Courses in Bio-Technology, Business Administration and in Computer Science or to grant permission to introduce PG Classes in these subjects in the College.

EC:111:2001:5:6:(ii): The Council considered the request of request from the Principal, St. Anthony's College for introduction of PG Courses in Bio-Technology, Business Administration and in Computer Science or to grant permission to introduce PG Classes in these subjects in the College and **RESOVLED** to regret the same.

(iii) Suggestion to start M.Ed. Programme in the University.

EC:111:2001:5:6:(iii): The Council considered the suggestion of the Government of Meghalaya to start M.Ed. Course in the University and **RESOLVED** that though the proposal may be accepted in principle necessary steps in this direction may be taken only after the Education Department has a proper infrastructure for the purpose.

(iv) Proposal regarding opening branches of Indian Universities in Vietnam.

EC:111:2001:5:6:(iv): The Council considered the proposal of the Association of Indian Universities to open a Campus at Vietnam and resolved that the matter be kept in abeyance for the time being.