

(iii) REPRESENTATION OF THE PRINCIPAL, ST. ANTHONY'S COLLEGE
ON THE WAIVER OF DOE ACCREDITATION FOR PGDCA IN THE
COLLEGE.

On the recommendation of a Committee the Academic Council of the University had approved the introduction of Post-graduate Diploma Course in Computer Applications (PGDCA) at St. Anthony's College through the Resolution reproduced below:-

"No:AC:44:92:5:05(v): The Council approved the introduction of Diploma Course in Computer Applications as per programme recommended by the Committee appointed by the V.C. Concerned Institution should apply and obtain accreditation within three years from Department of Electronics."

The Principal of St. Anthony's College after introducing the Course had made a request to the University for continuance of the Course with exemption from going for accreditation to the DOE for reasons given in the letter (vide Annexure 'A').

The matter was put up to the E.C. which Resolved as under:-

"No:EC:90:96:5:6:v: RESOLVED that it will not be possible for the University to recognize the PGDCA Course run by the St. Anthony's College in the absence of the accreditation from the DOE."

The above was conveyed to the College through a letter (vide Annexure 'B') to which the Principal has replied to the University for review of the decision taking reference from other Institutions (vide Annexure 'C').

The request of the Principal, on the Orders of the Vice-Chancellor, was examined by a Committee duly set up and its recommendations are at Annexure 'D'.

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The recommendation was placed before the Academic Council meeting held on 21st. and 22nd. Nov., 1996 and the Council resolved that the College has to acquire accreditation from A.I.C.T.E./D.O.E. before starting the course failing which NEHU cannot recognise the course. The Council further resolved that the College must obtain accreditation latest by 15th. of June 1997 and till such time it receives accreditation it should not admit any student for this course.

The matter is placed before the Council for consideration.

This has a reference to your letter nos. P/EX/AC-91 dated 02-03-93 and no. C/AC/Comp.Sc/92-3941 dated 01-11-93 regarding the approval of the syllabus for B.D.A. Course and affiliation of this College to run the course.

As approved by the AC vide resolution no. 44:4:92:5:05(v), the College was advised to obtain UOE accreditation within 3 years in this connection, may I point out the following:

1. All colleges running B.D.A. Course in other parts of the country are affiliated to Universities only. Only private institutes go in for accreditation by way of recognition.
2. Students value a course affiliated to the University far more than any diploma by other agencies.
3. The circular from CDC no. FC-16/90-91-286-341 dated 20.8.91 explicitly forbids Colleges affiliated to name from running courses under affiliation to other agencies or universities.

Under the circumstances, the College may kindly be exempted from going in for accreditation to UOE and may be allowed to continue with the B.D.A. program.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Dr. Stephen Mervy SDB
Principal

Annexure 'A'

S.C/SM/21/96-01 Dt. 3rd February 1996

To

Dr A Patton
 Controller of Examinations
 North Eastern Hill University
 Mawkynroh, Umshing
 SHILLONG - 793 022.

Dear Sir

This has a reference to your letter Nos.DR/EX/M.C-91 dated 09-03-93 and No.CE/NEHU/Comp.Sc/92-3941 dated 01-11-93 regarding the approval of the Syllabus for PGDCA Course and affiliation of this College to run the Course.

As approved by the AC vide resolution No.44:4:92:5:05(v), the College was advised to obtain DOE accreditation within 3 years.

In this connection, may I point out the following:

1. All colleges running PGDCA Course in other parts of the country are affiliated to Universities only. Only private Institutes go in for accreditation by way of recognition.
2. Students value a Course affiliated to the University for more than any diploma by other agencies.
3. The circular from CDC No.FC-16/90-91, 286-341 dated 20.5.91 explicitly forbids Colleges affiliated to NEHU from running courses under affiliation to other agencies or Universities.

Under the circumstances, the College may kindly be exempted from going in for accreditation to DOE; and may be allowed to continue with the PGDCA program.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

Sd/-

Fr Stephen Mavely SDB
 Principal

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Annexure 'B'

NORTH EASTERN HILL UNIVERSITY

NEHU CAMPUS, SHILLONG-22

No. LX/PG/4/PGDCA, II/95-366

July 20, 1966

To

Mr. Stephen Mavelly SDB
Principal,
St. Anthony's College,
Shillong.

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No. SAC/SM/21/96-01 dated 3rd February, 1996 and to convey that the Executive Council in its 90th Meeting held on 18th July, 1996, through its resolution No. EC:90:96:5:6:(v) Resolved that it will not be possible for the University to continue the recognition of the PGDCA Course run by your College till such time as you are able to obtain accreditation from the DOE. You may, therefore, move the DOE immediately and inform the University as soon as accreditation from the DOE is obtained so as to enable the University to recognize the Course.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

(Dr. A. Patton)
Controller of Examinations.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. Stephen Mavelly SDB
Principal

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Annexure 'C'

St. ANTHONY'S COLLGE

SHILLONG 793001

Principal

Ref. No. SAC/SM/21/96-02 dated 6th September 1996

To

Dr A. Patton
Controller of Examinations
North Eastern Hill University
Mawkynroh, Umshing
Shillong-22.

Dear Sir

This has a reference to your letter No. EX/PG/4/PGDCA/II/95-366 dated 20.7.96 regarding the recognition for the PGDCA Course in this College.

In the course of the discussion that I had with you on this matter as well as with the Vice-Chancellor, I am given to understand that the decision of the University that accreditation by DOE is a pre-condition for continuance of affiliation is based on the assumption that DOE is merely an accrediting agency.

As I pointed out earlier, DOE is not merely an accrediting agency. Institutions which are accredited with it have also to present their students for DOE examinations. It is an examining agency also, the rationale behind it being the following Private Institutions, which have not regulatory authority to check their syllabi and evaluation systems, require an outside agency to monitor their performance. This is not the case with Colleges affiliated to Universities. Hence it is private institutes who come within the ambit of DOE for the sake of recognition. All colleges, affiliated to Universities, are attached to the Universities for their PGDCA Courses.

Again, as pointed out earlier, the students value a Course affiliated to the University far more than any diploma by other agencies.

I would also like to bring to your notice that I was a member of the Expert Committee that recommended accreditation to DOE within a period of three years. At that time, DOE was just being set up, and we had only sketchy knowledge of its role as an accrediting body. We were not aware that it was also an affiliating body.

In view of the above, I will be grateful if the matter could be studied afresh, and the College be allowed to continue with the PGDCA programme, especially because the Diploma has been highly valued and everyone of our students have found employment.

With every good wish,

Yours sincerely,

Sc/-

Fr Stephen Mavelly SDB
Principal

REPORT OF THE INSPECTION COMMITTEE ON THE
COMPUTER SCIENCE DEPARTMENT OF ST. ANTHONY'S
COLLEGE.

As decided at the meeting of the Committee, held on 9th Oct 96, Dr S.N. Rai, Dr D.T. Khathing and Sri Raja Sekharan visited St. Anthony's College and made an on-the-spot study of the Computer Science Department of St. Anthony's College on 10th October 1996.

The Department has the following Staff, Equipments and Library facilities:

1. Computer Staff Sanctioned Posts:

Lecturers : 5
Technicians : 2
Grade ④ : 1

The staff have the qualifications as required by UGC/DCL.

2. Equipments:

Computers : 3 Pentium/100 Servers (2 Netware and 1 UNIX)
1 Pentium/166 Server (Windows NT)
41 Workstations (386s and 486s)
5 Printers
7 UPS Units
1 Standby Generator

3. Library Facilities (only of the Computer Science Department):

Books : Over 1500
Journals : 7

4. Classrooms:

The college has more than the required number of classrooms and labs. A 3-storied building is fully set aside only for this Department.

The College conducts the following Courses:

Pre-University : Computer Science as an Elective (Arts/
Science/Commerce)
Degree : Computer Science as an Honours Subject
(Science/Commerce)
Post-Graduate : PGDCA Course
Other Courses : Short-Term Courses in Word Processing,
Data Processing, Computer Languages

The following Courses are being planned for the future:

DTP : Desk Top Publishing
MCA : Master of Computer Applications.

Recommendation of the Committee:

In consideration of the above-mentioned facts that the College has facilities and Staff far in excess of what is required to run the FEBCA Course, the Committee recommends that 1) The University need not insist upon the College to go in for DOE accreditation; 2) The University affiliation is sufficient; and 3) The affiliation granted to the College may be continued.

Sd/-

(K. Rajasakhar)
Director, NIC,
Shillong

Sd/-

Prof. D. T. Khathing
Head, RSIC, NERU

Sd/-

Prof. S. N. Rai,
Director
Computer Centre
NERU.

- (ii) Amendment to the Ordinance OA-2 and OA-4 to include the Department of Mizo under the School of Humanities and Education.

No. EC:91:96:5:6: (ii): The Council considered the amendment of Ordinances OA-2 and OA-4 to include the Department of Mizo under the School of Humanities and Education and RESOLVED to approve the same.

- (iii) Representation of the Principal, St. Anthony's College on the waiver of the DDE Accreditation for PGDCA in the College.

No. EC:91:96:5:6: (iii): The Council considered the Academic Council's decision with regard to the accreditation by AICTE/DDE by St. Anthony's College for starting its computer Courses and RESOLVED that the College must obtain accreditation by 15th of June, 1997 and that it should not admit any students till this is done.

- (iv) Screening of applications for Teaching Posts.

No. EC:91:96:5:6: (iv) The Council considered the inclusion of retired teachers in the Screening Committee for teaching posts and RESOLVED that since such teachers cannot hold Administrative positions as per the Ordinances they cannot be allowed to take part in any Screening Committees.

- (v) Opening of School for Studies of Spiritual and Moral Values.

No. EC:91:96:5:6: (v) : The Council considered the inclusion of the following Departments under the School for Studies of Spiritual and Moral Values and RESOLVED to approve the same and amend Ordinance OA-2 & OA 4.

1. Department of Christian Studies.
2. Department of Traditional Religion
3. Department of Budhist Studies
4. Department of Hinduism and
5. Department of Islamic Studies.

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