



VELS

INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY
& ADVANCED STUDIES (VISTAS)



(DEEMED TO BE UNIVERSITY estd. u/s. 3 of the UGC Act, 1956)

NAAC ACCREDITED WITH "A" GRADE

PALLAVARAM - CHENNAI - INDIA

School of Maritime Studies

Date: 15-04-2021

Dear Sir

With reference to your reply to the grievance raised by us, please note the following:

1. Your reply refers to APH 2.14.4 NBA accreditation requirement norms. This is a statement of fact as APH 2021-22. Kindly note that this should be applied in a manner which takes into account circumstances of the case.
2. Kindly note that School of Maritime Studies is part of Vels Institute of Science Technology and Advanced Studies, and is a deemed to be University.
3. We have been conducting BE Marine Engineering programme since 2005 with necessary approval from Directorate General of Shipping.
4. So far 12 batches of BE Marine Engineering have passed out from this institution and passed out students are sailing all around the world. We have produced Marine Engineers in excess of 1000 so far in the last 15 years.
5. It should be noted that deemed Universities and University departments applied for AICTE approval process in 2018 as per Supreme Court ruling dated 03-11-2017 (SC order CA No. 17869-17870/2017).
6. Reference is also made to AICTE public notice for approval process 2018-19 issued by AICTE dated 20-12-2017 wherein deemed to be Universities were directed to submit applications for approval.
7. Basis above circumstances NBA has inspected and accredited BE Marine Engineering offered by School of Maritime Studies of Vels Institute of Science Technology and Advanced Studies - a deemed to be University - in 2020 and have accredited our BE Marine Engineering programme till 30-06-2023. We have sent the copy of NBA accreditation to grievance cell on 08-04-2021.
8. Thus the institution has been functioning in the existing circumstances even before 2018 with all necessary infrastructure, facility and faculty.
9. These all must be taken into account and we should be allowed to update our NBA score in this year's AICTE approval process.
10. Necessary software exclusion right shall be given to allow us to update the NBA score where we have secured 727 point for our BE Marine Engineering programme.
11. We understand such consideration has been extended to deemed Universities which have obtained AICTE approval in 2018 post supreme court order dated 03-11-2017.

It is humbly requested that our plea may please be considered on the merit of case and we be given credit for NBA score we have secured and allow us to update it in the approval process online application of 2021-22 in the AICTE web portal.

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