

HIGHER AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION DEPARTMENT

Mantralaya, Madam Cama Marg, Hutatma Rajguru Chowk, Mumbai 400 032,

Dated the 5th May 2017.

NOTIFICATION

MAHARASHTRA UNAIDED PRIVATE PROFESSIONAL EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS (REGULATION OF ADMISSION AND FEES) ACT, 2015.

No. CET. 2015/C.R.243(Part-2)/Mashi-2.—In exercise of the powers conferred by section 23 of the Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admissions and Fees) Act, 2015 (Mah. XXVIII of 2015) and in suppression of Government Notification, Higher and Technical Education Department No.CET-2015/C.R.243/Mashi-2, dated 2nd April 2016, the Government of Maharashtra hereby makes the following rules to regulate the admissions to the First Year of Full Time Professional Undergraduate Law Courses (Three Years and Five Years), namely :-

1. *Short title and commencement*— (1) These rules may be called the Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admission to the Full Time Professional Undergraduate Law Courses) Rules, 2017.

(2) They shall come into force with effect from 5th May of 2017.

2. *Definitions*.—(1) In these rules, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) “Act” means the Maharashtra Unaided Private Professional Educational Institutions (Regulation of Admissions and Fees) Act, 2015 (Mah. XXVIII of 2015);

(b) “Admission Reporting Centre” means a center where the Candidate shall report for confirmation of admission by verification of documents and payment of fees;

(c) “All India Seats” means seats available to an eligible Indian National Candidate;

(d) “Application Form” means prescribed form filled up online by the Candidate for admission;

(e) “CAP Seats” means the seats filled in through the centralized process of admission carried out by the Competent Authority;

(f) “Courses” means the Three Years Degree Course i.e. Bachelor of Law (LL.B.) or Five Years Integrated Degree Course i.e. Bachelor of Law (LL.B) as the case may be;

(g) “Department” Means the Higher and Technical Education Department of Government of Maharashtra;

(h) “Eligible Candidates” means the candidates who are eligible for different professional courses as notified by the Government, from time to time, under sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Act;

(i) “Facilitation Centre” means a center where the facilities like sale of application kits, filling online forms, verification of documents and grievances, etc. are provided;

(j) “HSC” means the Higher Secondary School Certificate (Standard XII) examination conducted by the Maharashtra State Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education or its equivalent certificate awarded by a recognized Boards;

(k) "Institutional Quota" means seats available for admission to eligible Candidates at Institution level as declared by the Government or appropriate authority, from time to time;

(l) "*Inter-Se-Merit*" means the order of merit declared by the Competent Authority in respect of various classes or category of Candidates;

(m) "Minority Quota" means seats earmarked for the Minority Community students from within the State, belonging to the Minority Community to which the institution belongs;

(n) "Overseas Citizen of India (OCI)" means a Candidate or person registered as an Overseas Citizenship of India as declared by the Central Government under section 7A of the Citizenship Act, 1955 and includes Persons of Indian Origin(PIO);

Explanation.—For the purposes of this clause, all the existing Persons of Indian Origin (PIO) cardholders registered under Notification of the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs F.No.26011/04/98- F.I, dated 19th August 2002 and shall now be deemed to be Overseas Citizens of India (OCI) cardholders by virtue of Notification of Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, No. 25024/9/2014-F.I.,dated 9th January 2015;

(o) "Qualifying Examination" means examinations on the basis of which a Candidate becomes eligible for admission or its equivalent examination;

(p) "SSC" means the Secondary School Certificate (Standard X) examination conducted by the Maharashtra State Board of Secondary and Higher Secondary Education or its equivalent certificate awarded by a recognized Boards;

(q) "Supernumerary Seats" means seats which are over and above the Sanctioned Intake approved by the appropriate authority and the Government, from time to time.

(2) Words and expressions used but not defined in these rules, shall have the same meanings respectively assigned to them in the Act.

3. *Invitation of Application.*—(1) The Competent Authority shall invite Online Applications from the Candidates for participating in CET and/ or CAP for seeking admission to the Professional Courses for which State CET or alternative entrance examination is required for the academic year.

(2) The Candidates seeking admissions to the Professional Courses for the seats provided in —

(a) rule 7(1), 7(2), 7(3) and 7(5) of these rules shall apply to the Competent Authority for admission through Centralized Admission Process (CAP);

(b) rule 7(4) of these rules shall initially apply to the Competent Authority for verification of documents and then to respective institute, to enable the institutions to give admissions to such eligible applicants on the basis of *Inter-Se-Merit*, as specified in rule 13.

(3) The Candidate should submit along with the application, the requisite certificates, as applicable in the necessary Proforma issued by the concerned Competent Authority.