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To

The Principal/Correspondence of all the Affiliated Private Colleges& Private Universities

Sir,

Sub:- TSCHE - Withholding of Original Certificates of the Students - Instructions to the Colleges - Reg.

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It has come to the attention of the Government that certain private colleges are withholding the original certificates of students on the pretext of not receiving fee reimbursement from the Government.

Withholding of original certificates will have significant implications for the students, especially when they need to present these documents to join for higher education, applying or joining for jobs and other purposes.

Further, in terms of UGC (Grievance Redressal of students) Regulations 2018 the colleges are barred from withholding or refusing to return any document in the form of certificates of degree, diploma or any other award or other document deposited with it by a students for the purposes of seeking admission in such institution, with a view to induce or compel such student to pay any fee or fees in respect of any course or program of study which such student does not intend to pursue.

The colleges are therefore advised not to withhold the original certificates of students on the pretext of not receiving the reimbursement from the Government. It is not a healthy practice. Such colleges may be blacklisted and shall not be considered for free reimbursement, which will also affects the affiliation of such colleges.

If it comes to the notice that the colleges are still withholding the original certificates of the student. It would be viewed seriously and stringent action will be initiated against such colleges.

Yours faithfully,

SECRETARY