

**Sub:** Establishment - I & CADD - APESS -- Request for permission to appear Courses for Diploma in Civil Engineering in Distance Education & Diploma in Mechanical Engineering in Distance Education -Req - Reg.

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It is noticed that some of the Superintending Engineers are forwarding the representation of the staff for permission to appear Courses for Diploma in Civil Engineering & Diploma in Mechanical Engineering through Distance Education.

1) The Government in Memo.No.1207/Ser.I(1)/2008,Dt.05.06.2009 have informed that the Diploma Certificates obtained from deemed Universities are not recognized duly enclosing the list of deemed Universities.

2) A Public notice given by All India Council for Technical Education, New Delhi in the Times of India Dt.28.6.2010 was as follows:-

a) It has been the policy of the AICTE, not to recognize the qualifications acquired through distance education mode at Diploma, Bachelors & Master's level in the fields of Engineering, Technology, Architecture, Town Planning, Pharmacy, Hotel Management & Catering Technology, Applied Arts & Crafts and Post Graduate Diploma in Management(PGDM). AICTE has the policy to consider only MBA and MCA through distance Mode for its recognition.

3) There are several Court cases in the Hon'ble APAT in the above issues and recently the Hon'ble High Court has stayed the orders issued by the Hon'ble APAT in the matter of study of Technical Courses through Distance Education.

Therefore, all the Superintending Engineers of I & CAD Department are hereby requested not to Seek Permission for their staff from the H.O.D in the matter of Study of diploma in Civil Engineering and Technical Courses through Distance Education till the High Court clear the cases. They are also directed not to give permission for study of Diploma through Distance Education.

Any deviation will be viewed seriously, and disciplinary action will be initiated against the erring officers.

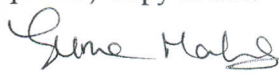
The receipt of this memo may be acknowledged in the first instance.

**J.Vijaya Prakash,**  
**Engineer-in-Chief(AW)**

To

1) All the Superintending Engineers, I & CAD Department.

2) Copy to all unit officers with a similar request.3) Copy to file.

  
For Engineer-in-Chief(AW)  
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