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2.	The Principal/ Head of the Deptt, Raffles University, Japanese Zone, NH - 48, Neemrana, Alwar, Rajasthan - 301705

Sub: Extension of provisional approval of affiliation to School of Law, Raffles University, Neemrana, Alwar, Rajasthan for imparting three year LL.B course with intake of two sections of 60 students in each section, five year BA LL.B (H) course with intake of two sections of 60 students in each section and BBA LL.B (H) course with intake of one section of 60 students for a period of one year i.e. for the academic year 2024-2025.

Sir/Ma'am,

This is with reference to above mentioned subject regarding extension of provisional approval of affiliation to **School of Law, Raffles University, Neemrana, Alwar, Rajasthan** which has already applied for extension of approval of affiliation for the academic year 2024-2025.

This is to bring to your kind knowledge that the following resolution was passed on 5th May, 2024 by the General Council of the Bar Council of India with respect to grant of provisional approval of affiliation, to existing Centers of Legal Education/Colleges, whose approval cum regular inspection fee has been deposited, application of extension of approval of affiliation is pending, but no inspection could be done or the inspection has been done, but inspection report could not be placed before the Legal Education Committee or the Standing Committee for the academic year 2024-2025.

“RESOLVED that with respect to existing Centers of Legal Education/Colleges, whose inspection fee has been deposited, application for extension of approval of affiliation is pending, no inspection could be done or the inspection has been done, but inspection report could not be placed before the Legal Education Committee or the Standing Committee for its consideration, such Centers of Legal Education/Colleges may continue to admit students only for the academic year 2024-2025. This will apply only in case where affiliation has been granted by the University. Such provisional approval shall be subject to any decision taken after the inspection of the CLE is done by the Bar Council of India subsequently.

AN AFFIDAVIT THAT THE CENTRE OF LEGAL EDUCATION IS COMPLYING WITH THE BELOW STIPULATED NORMS, RULES, REGULATIONS AND MANDATORY GUIDELINES OF BAR COUNCIL OF INDIA AS WELL AS WITH ALL THE ENUMERATIONS STIPULATED IN THE ATTACHED CIRCULARS(WITH THIS LETTER) BEARING NOS. BCI: D: 465/2024 DATED 24.01.2024(ANNEXURE-B), BCI: D: 468/2024/CIR-006/2024(LE) DATED 20.05.2024(ANNEXURE-C), BCI: D: 469/2024(LE/CIR.007) DATED 21.05.2024 (ANNEXURE-D)AND BCI:D:525/2024 (LE CIRCULAR NO. 008/2024) DATED 30.05.2024(ANNEXURE-E) AND SHOW CAUSE NOTICES AND COMPLIANCE LETTER REFERRED TO IN ANNEXURE-A, ATTACHED TO THIS LETTER MUST BE SUBMITTED TO THE BAR COUNCIL OF INDIA WITHIN 15 DAYS OF THE RECEIPT OF THIS LETTER FAILING WHICH, THEIR APPLICATION FOR FURTHER EXTENSION OF APPROVAL OF AFFILIATION SHALL NOT BE CONSIDERED AND IF APPROVAL, IS GRANTED FOR THE ACADEMIC SESSION 2024-2025, THE SAME MAY BE WITHDRAWN TOO.

The provisional approval of affiliation shall be conditional and is subject to compliance as per circular dated 05.02.2020 bearing No.BCI:D:158 (LE:Circulation No.01/2020), issued to all Centers of Legal education, as per the extended time of such compliance, whereby every Centre of Legal Education/college is required to submit a certified authenticated bank statement bearing bank stamp, date and signature, mandatorily with respect to the salary/ies being disbursed to all the teachers/faculties every three months with effect from March, 2022 on a regular basis, unless specifically sought at other intervals, and also furnish list of teachers with qualifications as per BCI and UGC Rules, and further furnish proof/receipts of fulfillment of minimum library requirements, as enumerated under Schedule-III, Rule-15, Minimum Library requirements of Legal Education Rules-which is the sine qua non of a Centre of Legal Education. Certain show cause notices and compliance letters had also been issued specifically to certain Centers of Legal Education/Colleges, with conditions mentioned therein, which have to be complied too as per the time stipulations therein, and if they have not been complied with they must be complied with immediately.

The last date for compliance of the above referred circular has expired on 31st August, 2022. It was extended from time to time due to the pandemic. As a last opportunity, ensure to comply with the same, otherwise the provisional approval of affiliation being issued herewith may be withdrawn.

➤ You may kindly bear in mind that the Bar Council of India is the sole and supreme sanctioning authority for seats and it does not allow any supernumerary quota of seats for law degree courses, over and above the sanctioned strength of seats and whatever reservation of seats is to be done by the University under whichever quota as a rule has to be done within sanctioned strength of seats. The only supernumerary quota, as of now permitted by the Bar Council of India, is 10 percent seats in EWS quota over and above the sanctioned strength of seats allotted/approved by BCI and that too, is subject to adequate infrastructure and qualified faculty to accommodate the supernumerary seats. The same is required to be adhered to. If there is any default on such part and the same is discovered subsequently, action shall ensue.

- **The CLE is advised to declare the same voluntarily for consideration of the same in a manner which will not be detrimental to interests of the students admitted, if any, over and above the sanctioned seats as a one time opportunity. The same shall not be construed to be applied prospectively.**
- **It is pertinent to point that no University in India can offer a 4 year LL.B or integrated LL.B, followed by a 1 year LL.M in tie up with a foreign University under the present BCI regulations. Such a Law degree, nor the post qualification after it, is recognised by Bar Council of India. The BCI only recognizes the pattern of a 12th class +3 (graduation in any stream+3 (year Law degree) and/or a 12 + 5 year integrated law degree.**
- **While exchange programs of teachers and students have been undertaken by Centres of Legal Education including, Law Universities in India, Dual Degrees or joint Degrees with Foreign Universities have not been permitted or recognized by BCI. It is essential to emphasize that any foreign collaboration involving legal education institutions, must strictly adhere to the regulatory framework established by the Bar Council of India. It cannot compromise on the quality of legal education mandated by the BCI. It's worth noting that unless a degree is recognized by the BCI in India, it holds no validity within the country. Therefore, a degree obtained from an Indian University, being recognized solely in a foreign jurisdiction, without recognition in India, would be of no consequence to the university or its students.**
- **Recognition and approval of law degrees are exclusively within the purview of the Bar Council of India. Consequently, if, upon thorough evaluation it is determined Law degrees are being issued by Universities against the rules and norms of Bar Council of India, recognition of such degree/s shall be withdrawn and such degree holders shall not be entitled to be enrolled in any State Bar Council in India.**
- **BCI and it's Legal Education Committee have time and again reiterated, stated and clarified, that it does not recognise LL.B and/or LL.M or any Law degree course through online mode, correspondence, open and/or distance learning mode.**
- **It has further come to the attention of the Bar Council of India and its Legal Education Committee that certain institutions are offering Master of Arts (MA) programs with a Law subject, in open and distance learning mode, or online mode which attempts to mimic the structure and content of a Master of Laws (LL.M.) program. Upon careful examination, it has been observed that such an endeavour is beyond the scope and intent of a Master of Arts Degree and is deemed impermissible. It is hereby clarified that such MA degrees will not be recognized by the BCI as equivalent to a Master of Laws (LL.M.) degree and for the purpose of teaching of LL.B. Course.**

- ***It is crucial to clarify that the designation "MA" signifies "Master of Arts," whereas "LL.M." represents "Legume Magister," a Latin term denoting a "Master of Laws" Degree. The distinction between these two titles is significant, as an LL.M. degree is specifically tailored for graduates of law programs, whereas an MA degree encompasses a broader range of academic disciplines and is separate and distinguished from Master of Laws Degree. It is a deliberate attempt to bypass LL.M. in such a manner.***
- ***The BCI emphasizes that an MA degree with a Law subject does not confer the same benefits or privileges as an LL.M. degree. Individuals holding an MA degree in Law will not be entitled to the benefits typically associated with possessing an LL.M. degree, nor will they be eligible to teach in LL.B degree programs. Pursuit of legal education at the postgraduate level, in the form of an LL.M. degree, is restricted to individuals who have completed their undergraduate legal studies while it is clarified that any specialized branch of law offered at the master's level, without the LL.B./BA.LLB qualification as the requisite entry-level credential, shall not be recognised as equivalent to an LL.M. degree.***
- ***It is imperative for all stakeholders in the legal education sector to understand that the distinction between an MA degree and an LL.M. degree is significant. An MA degree with a Law subject does not fulfil the requirements for recognition by the BCI as a qualification equivalent to an LL.M. degree.***
- ***This serves to clarify the position of the BCI on the recognition of MA degrees with a Law subject and to prevent any misconceptions regarding their equivalence to LL.M. degrees.***
- ***The BCI and its Legal Education Committee has further also observed that running an MA (with Law subject) by any such mode is an attempt to mimic an LL.M, which is also not permitted by such mode.***
- ***It has also been brought to the notice of Bar Council of India that some entities claiming to be Centre of Legal Education are offering courses through distance education/correspondence mode, under the nomenclature of the degree of LL.M. or LL.M. professional, where anyone even without LL.B. can get an LL.M. degree, and, the same persons are also getting registered for Ph.D., appearing for UGC NET etc. thereby diluting quality of legal education.***
- ***This is an illegal practice and Bar Council of India shall not hesitate in taking stringent action against such centres.***
- ***As per the order of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 29.08.2019 passed in Writ Petition (Civil) No.1510 of 2018, titled as Vinit Garg Vs. University Grants Commission and as per the earlier order of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India dated 03.11.2017 passed in Civil Appeal Nos.17869-17870, arising out of SLP No. 19807-19808/2012 in the case of Odisha Lift Irrigation Corp Ltd. Vs Ravi Shankar Patro&Ors., the Hon'ble Supreme Court has held that an University has to obtain permission from the concerned regulatory body for initiating/starting, opening and conducting any distance learning course/s.***

- **As per UGC Regulations 4(A)(iv), (Open and Distance Learning Programmes & Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020, the Higher Educational Institution must have the approval or recommendations of the statutory or regulatory authority, in this case, the Bar Council of India (BCI), for offering law programs in Open and Distance Learning mode or Online mode.**
- **Explanation: Programmes as mentioned at clause (iv) shall be considered only when these are recommended by the respective statutory or regulatory authority or regulatory council to offer in Open and Distance Learning mode or Online mode, as applicable.....”**
- **Furthermore, the Distance Education Bureau under UGC explicitly prohibits courses in engineering, law, medicine, dental, pharmacy, nursing, architecture, physiotherapy, applied arts, and other such programs from being offered through online mode without approval from the respective statutory or regulatory bodies.**
- **Some Universities, including some reputed Universities are running such programs in flagrant violation of clear directives and guidelines as stipulated above and without even having made a request or application to BCI in this regard. It is categorically made clear, such programs have no recognition and/or approval from BCI.**
- **CLE's must ensure to comply with these directives, failing which necessary action will ensue.**

An affidavit/undertaking to comply with the conditions mentioned above shall be required to be submitted by way of duly notarized affidavit within 15 days of receipt of this letter by way of hardcopy and also by way of scanned copy at complianceaffiliationle2@gmail.com with heading- COMPLIANCE TO PROVISIONAL APPROVAL-REQUIREMENTS.

It is made clear that if any Centre of Legal Education, does not comply to above then their application for further extension of approval shall not be considered and, if, approval is granted for the academic session 2024-2025, it may be withdrawn.

You are hereby allowed to admit students in imparting three year LL.B course with intake of two sections of 60 students in each section, five year BA LL.B (H) course with intake of two sections of 60 students in each section and BBA LL.B (H) course with intake of one section of 60 students for a period of one year i.e. for the academic year 2024-2025, subject to conditions mentioned above.

Please be aware that compliance with all conditions and the Rules of Legal Education is mandatory. Any discovered shortcomings or deficiencies, including those detected from portal registrations and forms, may lead to the withdrawal of approval granted to the CLE. Such deficiencies will also render the CLE ineligible to admit students in the next academic session.

Additionally, the CLE may receive further compliance directives and may be subject to both surprise and scheduled inspections. To maintain your approval and affiliation, ensure full adherence to all Rules and Regulations of Legal Education

➤ **Universities who have not yet completed one time online registration on the basis of the link/s sent on their official email id's are required to fill the registration form, & upload registered documents and photographs within a period of 21 days, failing which appropriate action will ensue.**

The compliances and pending fee/ any other fee which may be payable in future may be kindly ensured to be complied with as and when intimated in the future.

➤ **Note - Kindly ensure to submit English translation of all documents being furnished by you in Hindi or in any other regional language to BCI.**

➤ **Note- In accordance with the Council resolution passed on February 20, 2022, the refundable guarantee amount per course, is set at Rs. 5 lakh. Additionally, (C.L.E.'s) who had previously deposited a guarantee fee of Rs. 2 lakhs are now required to pay the remaining Rs. 3 lakhs to meet the total guarantee fee of Rs. 5 lakhs for a single course. For each additional course, the guarantee fee stands at Rs. 5 lakhs per course.**

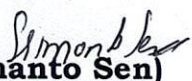
➤ **Very important: - Please, henceforth ensure to send any compliance affidavit/reply and affiliation orders separately to complianceaffiliationle2@gmail.com, apart from copying it to dlebci@gmail.com. Please do not send any email/s to proledepartment@gmail.com.**

For any other query/ies you may send e-mail/s to dlebci@gmail.com

This is for your information and necessary compliance and action.

Yours sincerely,


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Dated 05.04.2024

To,

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2	The Principal/ Head of the Deptt., School of Law, Raffles University, Japanese Zone, NH – 48, Neemrana, Alwar, Rajasthan – 301705

Sub: Extension of provisional temporary approval of affiliation to School of Law, Raffles University, Neemrana, Alwar, Rajasthan for imparting three year LL.B course with intake of two sections of 60 students in each section, five year BA LL.B (H) course with intake of two sections of 60 students in each section and five year BBA LL.B (H) course with intake of one section of 60 students for the academic year 2023-2024 and regularization of admission made during the academic period / years 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.

Sir,

This is with reference to above mentioned subject regarding extension of provisional approval of affiliation to **School of Law, Raffles University, Neemrana, Alwar, Rajasthan** which has already applied for extension of approval of affiliation for the academic year 2023-2024.

This is to bring to your kind knowledge that the following resolution was passed on 09th June, 2023 by the General Council of the Bar Council of India with respect to grant of provisional approval of affiliation for academic year 2023-2024 for those centers of Legal Education which have applied for approval of affiliation for the academic year 2023-2024.

“RESOLVED that with respect to existing Centers of Legal Education/colleges, whose inspection fee has been deposited, application for extension of approval of affiliation is pending, no inspection could be done or the inspection has been done, but inspection report could not be placed before the Legal Education Committee or the Standing Committee for its consideration, such Centers of Legal Education/colleges may continue to admit students only for the academic year 2023-2024. This will apply only in case where affiliation has been granted by the University. Such provisional approval shall be subject to any decision taken after the inspection of the CLE is done by the Bar Council of India subsequently

It shall further be conditional and is subject to compliance as per circular dated 05.02.2020 bearing No.BCI:D:158 (LE:Circulation No.01/2020), issued to all Centers of Legal education, as per the extended time of such compliance, whereby every center of Legal Education/college is required to submit a certified authenticated bank statement bearing bank stamp, date and signature, mandatorily with respect to the salary/ies being disbursed to all the teachers/faculties every three months with effect from March, 2022 on a ar basis, unless specifically sought at other intervals, and also furnish list of teachers with qualifications as per BCI and UGC Rules, and further furnish proof/receipts of fulfillment of minimum library requirements, as enumerated under Schedule-III, Rule-15, Minimum Library requirements of Legal Education Rules-which is the sine qua non of a Center of Legal Education. Certain show cause notices and compliance letters had also been issued specifically to certain Centers of Legal Education/Colleges, with conditions mentioned therein, which have to be complied too as per the time stipulations therein, and if they have not been complied with they must be complied with immediately.

An affidavit/undertaking to comply with the conditions mentioned in the above referred circular and of all the rules of Legal Education, shall be required to be submitted by way of duly notarized affidavit within 15 days of receipt of this letter by way of hardcopy and also by way of scanned copy at complianceaffiliationle2@gmail.com with heading-COMPLIANCE TO PROVISIONAL APPROVAL-REQUIREMENTS
It is made clear that if any Center of Legal Education, fails to submit all the required documents as sought by way of the afore referred circular and the show cause notices (where applicable), and the compliance letters, already issued, then their application for extension of approval for 2023-2024 shall not be considered and, if, approval is granted for the academic session 2023-2024, it may be withdrawn.

You may kindly bear in mind that the Bar Council of India is the sole and supreme sanctioning authority for seats and it does not allow any supernumerary quota of seats for law degree courses, over and above the sanctioned strength of seats and whatever reservation of seats is to done by the University under whichever quota as a rule has to be done within sanctioned strength of seats. The only supernumerary quota, as of now permitted by the Bar Council of India, is 10 percent seats in EWS quota over and above the sanctioned strength of seats allotted/approved by BCI and that too, is subject to adequate infrastructure and qualified faculty to accommodate the supernumerary seats. The same is required to be adhered to.If there is any default on such part and the same is discovered subsequently, action shall ensue.

The CLE is advised to declare the same voluntarily for consideration of the same in a manner which will not be detrimental to interests of the students admitted, if any, over and above the sanctioned seats as a one time opportunity.The same shall not be construed to be applied prospectively.

The Center/s of Legal Education/College may take a note of the above mentioned facts and furnish compliance of the same and of the other rules and regulations of Legal Education, including the stipulations specified in the abovesaid referred circular/s, show cause notices and compliance letters, and in ANNEXURE-A, attached to this provisional approval of affiliation letter, which is required be complied with adequate documentary proof and by way of anotarized affidavit, immediately if the same has not already been complied with, failing which, their application



for extension of approval for 2023-24 shall not be considered and if approval, is granted for the academic session 2023-2024, the same may be withdrawn too."

The last date for compliance of the above referred circular has expired on 31st August 2022, as it was extended from time to time due to the pandemic. Therefore ensure to comply with the same, otherwise the provisional approval of affiliation being issued herewith may be withdrawn.

You are allowed to admit students in **three year LL.B course with intake of two sections of 60 students in each section, five year BA LL.B (H) course with intake of two sections of 60 students in each section and five year BBA LL.B (H) course with intake of one section of 60 students for the academic year 2023-2024** University who have not completed one time online registration link send on their official email address are request to upload the registered documents and photographs within a period of two months.

The earlier period from 2021-2022 and 2022-2023. is also regularized since the University had deposited the inspection fee.

The compliances and pending fee/ any other fee which may be payable in future may be kindly ensured to be complied with as and when intimated in the future.

Note – Kindly ensure to submit English translation of all documents being furnished by you in Hindi or in any other regional language to BCI.

Note- In accordance with the Council resolution passed on February 20, 2022, the refundable guarantee amount per course, is set at Rs. 5 lakhs. Additionally, (C.L.E.s) who had previously deposited a guarantee fee of Rs. 2 lakhs are now required to pay the remaining Rs. 3 lakhs to meet the total guarantee fee of Rs. 5 lakhs for a single course. For each additional course, the guarantee fee stands at Rs. 5 lakhs per course.

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For any other query/ies you may send e-mail/s to dlebc@gmail.com

This is for your information and necessary compliance and action.


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Interim Consent Letter

Sub: Extension of approval to School of Law, Raffles University, Neemrana, Alwar, Rajasthan for imparting five year BA LL.B (Hons.) integrated course with intake of two sections of 60 students in each section and five year BBA LL.B. (Hons.) integrated course with an intake of one section of 60 students for a period of two years i.e. for the academic years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 and fresh approval for imparting three year LL.B degree course with an intake of two sections of 60 students in each section for a period of two years i.e. for the academic years 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 subject to the condition that the University to pay the balance fee of Rs. 10.5 lakhs and other conditions mentioned in the inspection report.

The earlier period from the year 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 be also regularised.

Sir,

The Standing Committee of the Legal Education Committee of the Bar Council of India at its meeting held on 14th, 15th and 16th June, 2019 considered the inspection report of School of Law, Raffles University, Neemrana, Alwar, Rajasthan submitted by the inspection team of the Bar Council of India.

After consideration, Committee is of the view that School of Law, Raffles University, Neemrana, Alwar, Rajasthan be granted extension of approval for imparting five year BA LL.B (Hons.) integrated course with intake of two

The earlier period from the year 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 be also regularised.

Specific conditions imposed by the inspection team and approved by the Committee :-

1. The University/ CLE to amend its program structure / syllabus by increasing the number of social science/management subjects from the existing number of 14 to 20.
2. The CLE to upgrade the Library by investing minimum amount of Rs. 2 lakhs per course per academic year.
3. The CLE to ensure appointment of regular and permanent faculty members by giving them UGC scales of pay as per 7th pay commission norms.
4. The CLE to ensure that the students are provided with more clinical experience/ exposure as part of their teaching learning process.

The University/College is directed to also fulfill the other conditions stipulated as per Legal Education Rules 2008 and by the Committee, failure of which may lead to subsequent necessary and proper action being taken in this regard :-

1. The Institution is directed to establish the Legal Aid Centre as per Clause-11, Schedule-III of Rule-11 of the Part-IV of the Legal Education Rules - 2008.
2. Institution should ensure the payment of salary to teachers as per Rules 22 schedule III, Part IV of BCI Rules.
3. The library should be furnished as per Clause 15 of Schedule III of Legal Education Rules 2008 given below :-

Minimum Library requirement: To start with, a Law Library shall have a set of AIR manual, Combo offer of CD of AIR Pvt. Ltd. (containing electronic version of AIR Supreme Court and High Court Data bases Research 1950-2015 (four connections each) Cr. L.J. Data Base 1950-2015(four connections) AIR Privy Council Data Base 1900-1950 (four connections) AIR Mannual latest 6th Edition(1-45 Vols.) AIR Journal 2015, Cr. L.J. 2015, L.I.C. 2015, AIR Civil Cases 2015, AIR Law Lines 2015, AIR Cheque Dishonour Reports 2015, AIR Accident Claims and compensation 2015, Institution shall get electronic versions updated every year by AIR Pvt. Ltd. Central Acts and Local Acts, Criminal law journal, SCC, Company

books of such other subjects are also to be kept in the similar minimum ratio.

4. The institution should keep in mind that minimum 10 sets of Indian Bar Review, selected judgments and professional Ethics published by Bar Council of India Trust and the AIR volumes/set must be promptly ordered for the library if not already ordered, as it is an essential requirement to run a law college which is stipulated by Bar Council of India, Legal Education Rules 2008 framed under a Parliament Act.

5. The institution is directed to make a minimum investment as provided below for upgrading it's library as per the following guideline :-

"Today with the increasing cost of journals, books, wifi, e-library and online facilities including I.T. facilities, the minimum investment by each university should be Rs. 10 lakhs for each year. However for any university/deemed university in rural area, the investment should be Rs. 5 Lakh and for all other affiliated colleges in the urban area it should be Rs. 2 lakhs and in rural area it should be Rs. 1 lakh."

6. Teacher Student ratio shall be as per Schedule-III, Rule-11, Clause-17, Part-IV of Bar Council of India Rules.
7. Institution is directed to inform the timings of the classes.
8. A Centre of Legal Education must ensure that not less than three percent seats are reserved for persons with disabilities.
9. Centre of Legal Education shall equip itself to provide appropriate facilities in terms of the physical infrastructure, academic infrastructure and any other facilities required for the effective participation of disabled students, teachers and staff in their respective activities. For e.g. (a) ramps in public buildings and (b) Braille symbols and auditory signals in elevators or lifts.

The same shall be verified during the next inspection.

Further, the University/College must specify the timing of the college which has not been given. College should also maintain the timing which has to be minimum 5 ½ hours with half an hour break. **College is directed to file an affidavit to the Bar Council of India within six weeks mentioning the timing of the classes.** The relevant rules of Legal Education which are mandatory to be ensured are as follows :-

"Classes may be conducted between 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. in a Centre of Legal Education, which is not fully residential. However the Library may remain open till 10 p.m."

Further, the institution should follow the attendance rule and file affidavit that they are following the aforesaid rule. The next inspection team shall also see whether the said rules are being followed by the university or not. The relevant Rule 12 is given below :-

"12. End Semester Test: No student of any of the degree program shall be allowed to take the end semester test in a subject if the student concerned has not attended minimum of 70% of the classes held in the subject concerned as also the moot court room exercises, tutorials and practical training conducted in the subject taken together.

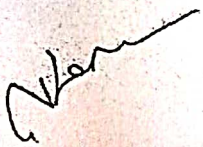
Provided that if a student for any exceptional reasons fail to attend 70% of the classes held in any subject, the Dean of the University or the Principal of the Centre of Legal Education, as the case may be, may allow the student to take the test if the student concerned attended at least 65% of the classes held in the subject concerned and attended 70% of classes in all the subjects taken together. The similar power shall rest with the Vice Chancellor or Director of a National Law University, or his authorized representative in the absence of the Dean of Law.

Provided further that a list of such students allowed to take the test with reasons recorded be forwarded to the Bar Council of India."

University/College should also admit students as per the below mentioned Rule:

7. Minimum marks in qualifying examination for admission: Bar Council of India may from time to time, stipulate the minimum percentage of marks not below 45% of the total marks in case of general category applicants, 42% for OBC category and 40% of the total marks in case of SC and ST applicants, to be obtained for the qualifying examination, such as +2 Examination in case of Integrated Five Years' course or Degree course in any discipline for Three years' LL.B. course, for the purpose of applying for and getting admitted into a Law Degree Program of any recognized University in either of the streams.

Provided that such a minimum qualifying marks shall not automatically entitle a person to get admission into an institution but only shall entitle the person concerned to fulfill other institutional criteria notified by the institution concerned or by the government concerned from time to time to apply for admission.



This paper may have three components of 30 marks each and a viva for 10 marks.

(a) Moot Court (30 Marks). Every student may be required to do at least three moot courts in a year with 10 marks for each. The moot court work will be on assigned problem and it will be evaluated for 5 marks for written submissions and 5 marks for oral advocacy.

(b) Observance of Trial in two cases, one Civil and one Criminal (30 marks):

Students may be required to attend two trials in the course of the last two or three years of LL.B. studies. They will maintain a record and enter the various steps observed during their attendance on different days in the court assignment. This scheme will carry 30 marks.

(c) Interviewing techniques and Pre-trial preparations and Internship diary (30 marks):

Each student will observe two interviewing sessions of clients at the Lawyer's Office/Legal Aid Office and record the proceedings in a diary, which will carry 15 marks. Each student will further observe the preparation of documents and court papers by the Advocate and the procedure for the filing of the suit/petition. This will be recorded in the diary, which will carry 15 marks.

(d) The fourth component of this paper will be Viva Voce examination on all the above three aspects. This will carry 10 marks.

25. Minimum Period of Internship: (a) Each registered student shall have completed minimum of twelve weeks internship for Three Year Course stream and twenty weeks in case of Five Year Course stream during the entire period of legal studies under NGO, Trial and Appellate Advocates, Judiciary, Legal Regulatory authorities, Legislatures and Parliament, Other Legal Functionaries, Market Institutions, Law Firms, Companies, Local Self Government and other such bodies as the University shall stipulate, where law is practiced either in action or in dispute resolution or in management.

Provided that internship in any year cannot be for a continuous period of more than Four Weeks and all students shall at least gone through once in the entire academic period with Trial and Appellate Advocates.

(b) Each student shall keep Internship diary in such form as may be stipulated by the University concerned and the same shall be evaluated by the Guide in Internship and also a Core Faculty member of the staff each time. The total mark shall be assessed in

The course leading to either degree in law, unitary or on integrated double degree, shall be conducted in semester system in not less than 15 weeks for unitary degree course or not less than 18 weeks in double degree integrated course with not less than 30 class-hours per week including tutorials, moot court room exercise and seminars provided there shall be at least 24 lecture hours per week.

Provided further that in case of specialized and/or honours law courses there shall be not less than 36 class-hours per week including seminar, moot court and tutorial classes and 30 minimum lecture hours per week.

Provided further that Universities are free to adopt trimester system with appropriate division of courses per trimester with each of the trimester not less than 12 weeks.

College/University should also follow Rule 17 and Rule 18 of Schedule III of Legal Education Rules 2008 which is quoted hereunder :-

Rule 17. Core Faculty:

There shall be sufficient number of full time faculty members in each Centre of Legal Education (i.e. ,Department, constituent or affiliated college) to teach each subject at all point of time for running courses who can be supported by part time or visiting faculty. Such a core faculty shall in no case be less than six in the first year of the approval with both streams in operation, eight in the second year and ten in the case of third year of law courses. In addition, for the integrated course there shall be adequate faculty in the subjects offered in the liberal educational subjects as part of the course by the institution. These faculties in the liberal educational discipline in Arts, Science, Management, Commerce, Engineering, Technology or any other discipline shall possess qualification as is required under the UGC guideline or under such other standard setting body as the discipline is allotted to by any Act, statute, or Rules of the Government of India or of a State.

For the Three Year Bachelor of Law degree course only with two sections without the Honour program, there shall be minimum of 4 core faculty in the first year six in the second and eight in the third year in addition to the Principal/Head or Dean as the case may be.

Provided that an institution intending to run any specialized or honours course must have at least three faculty in the group in which specialization and honours courses are offered.

Provided further that each full time faculty shall take as many classes in the subject or subjects as may be assigned to them on the basis of standard prescribed by the standard setting

time faculty, the new admission in courses may be required to remain suspended until new required number of faculty is procured. The University shall before starting a new academic session, notify which institutions are only be allowed to admit fresh students.

Provided further that if while inspecting the University it was found that in any institution of the University adequate number of full time faculty was not there in the staff, the Bar Council after giving notice to the University might give a public notice directing the University not to admit students in the new academic year in that institution.

Rule -18 Minimum weekly class program per subject (paper):.

There shall be for each paper (with 4 credit) Four class-hours for one hour duration each and one hour of tutorial/moot court/project work per week.

Institution should submit affidavit in compliance of the above conditions within six weeks.

University/College authorities are also required to apply before the Bar Council of India for further extension of approval six months in advance before expiry of the period of approval of affiliation granted by the Bar Council of India. i.e. on or before 31st December, 2020 in respect of **BA LL.B (Hons.) integrated course, five year BBA LL.B. (Hons.) integrated course and three year LL.B degree course** with the requisite inspection fee of **Rs. 3 lakhs** per course (for normal course) and **Rs. 5 lakhs** per course (for honours course) and application fee of **Rs. 50,000/-** by way of demand draft to be drawn in favour of Bar Council of India, payable at New Delhi.

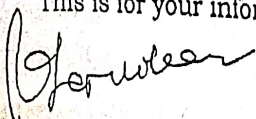
This letter is subject to final approval/confirmation of the Legal Education Committee and General Council of the Bar Council of India.

You are also requested to attach a copy of this letter with your compliance report/reply.

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Date: 20.12.2013

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The Registrar,
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Rajasthan

**Sub: Extension of approval of affiliation of to Shool of Law,
Raffles University, Neemara for imparting five year
BA.LLB and BBA.LLB law courses.**

Sir,

Legal Education Committee at its meeting held on 17th November, 2013 considered the inspection report of the above mentioned college. After consideration, Committee made the following recommendations:-

The Legal Education Committee considered the recommendations of the Standing Committee. After consideration, the Committee is of the view that School of Law, Raffles University, Neemrana, Rajasthan be granted extension of approval of affiliation for imparting five year BA.LLB and BBA.LLB law courses with intake of existing strength of students in both the courses for a period of three years from 2013-2014 to 2015-2016 subject to the following conditions:

Further one more section of 60 students be granted in respect of five year BA.LLB course from the academic year 2013-14.

1. The college management is directed to establish the Legal Aid Centre as per Clause-11, Schedule-III of Rule-11 of the Part-IV of the Legal Education Rules - 2008.



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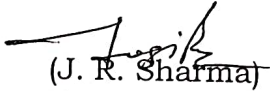
2. College should ensure the payment of salary to teachers as per Rules 22 schedule III, Part IV of BCI Rules.
3. The institution is directed to upgrade the library by investing Rs.50,000/- per year per stream.
4. Teacher Student ratio shall be 1:40.

Institution should submit affidavit in compliance to the above conditions within six weeks.

The above recommendations were considered by the Bar Council of India at its meeting held on 24th / 25th November, 2013 and accepted the same.

College authorities are also required to apply to the Bar Council of India for further extension of approval of affiliation six months in advance before expiry of the period of approval of affiliation granted by the Bar Council of India i.e. on or before 31st December, 2015 failing which a late fee will be charged.

Yours Sincerely,


(J. R. Sharma)
Secretary

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The Registrar,
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Sub.: Temporary approval of affiliation of Raffles School of Law, Neemrana, Rajasthan for B.A LL.B & BBA. LL.B 5 years courses.

Sir,

Legal Education Committee at its meeting held on 3rd September, 2011 considered the inspection report of the above mentioned college and Committee made the following recommendations:-

The Committee considered the inspection report submitted in respect of Raffles School of Law, Neemrana, Rajasthan. The management seeks approval of affiliation for three year course, B.A. LL.B(integrated) course and BBA. LL.B course for the academic year 2011-12.

After perusal of the inspection report we find that the report shows that number of faculty, infrastructure and other requirement for the purpose of imparting law courses are there and they are fully qualified.

The Committee therefore approves the affiliation for imparting five year B.A.LL.B integrated course and BBA.LLB course for the academic years 2011-2012 and 2012-13 with one section of 60 students each for both the courses subject to the condition that they must improve the library by investing Rs.2 lakhs and they must pay the teachers salary as per the U.G.C. norms.

The college should furnish an affidavit complying with these conditions within two weeks.



The above recommendations were considered by the Bar Council of India at its meeting held on 4th September, 2011 and accepted the same.

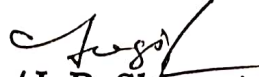
The University shall also comply with the following Rule of the Bar Council of India (Clause (iii) and Explanation 2 of Schedule IV in Part IV of new rules of the Bar Council of India):-

"Whenever approval of affiliation is granted to the Centres of Legal Education, it shall be necessary for the Centres of Legal Education to deposit Rupees Two Lakh in shape of guarantee to fulfil all the norms of the Bar Council of India. The same shall be liable to be forfeited if norms are not complied with and same shall carry no interest."

The approval of affiliation now granted by the Bar Council of India is subject to the payment of guarantee amount as mentioned in the above rule.

College authorities are also required to apply to the Bar Council of India for further extension of approval of affiliation six months in advance before expiry of the period of approval of affiliation granted by the Bar Council of India.

Yours faithfully,


(J. R. Sharma)

Officiating Secretary

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