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1.	The Registrar,
	Amity University
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2.	The Principal/Head of the Deptt,
	Amity Law School
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Sub: Extension of provisional temporary approval of affiliation to Amity Law School, Amity University, Jaipur, Rajasthan for five year BA LLB (H) with intake of three sections of 60 students in each section (total 180 seats), five year BBA LLB (H) with intake of one section of 60 students and five year B.Com LLB (H) with intake of one section of 60 students for the academic year 2024-25.

#### Sir/Ma'am,

This is with reference to above mentioned subject regarding extension of provisional approval to **Amity Law School**, **Amity University**, **Jaipur Rajasthan** which has already been 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 5<sup>th</sup> 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 THE STIPULATED IN ATTACHED **ENUMERATIONS** 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 469/2024(LE/CIR.007) 20.05.2024(ANNEXURE-C), BCI: D: 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 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 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.

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 for five year BA LLB (H) with intake of three sections of 60 students in each section (total 180 seats), five year BBA LLB (H) with intake of one section of 60 students and five year B.Com LLB (H) with intake of one section of 60 students for the academic year 2024-25 subject to fulfilment of the 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 withdrawal of the 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 kindly be 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.

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

(Nalin Raj Chaturvedi)
Joint Secretary, BCI
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Dated 04.12.2023

To.

1	The Registrar,
	Amity University,
	Jaipur,
	Rajasthan
2	The Principal,
	Amity Law School,
	Amity University Rajasthan,
	SP-1, Kant Kalwar, NH - 11C,
	Jaipur – 303002,
	Rajasthan

Sub: Extension of provisional temporary approval of affiliation to Amity Law School, Amity University, Jaipur, Rajasthan for five year BA LL.B (H) as well as five year BBA LL.B (H) and five year B.Com LL.B (H) law courses for the academic year 2023-2024 with the prevalent/existing sections (earlier specifically approved in writing by BCI) with intake of not more than 60 students in one section.

This is with reference to above mentioned subject regarding extension of provisional approval of affiliation to Amity Law School, Amity University, Jaipur, 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 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 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 as a general rule 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 as a general rule has to be done within sanctioned strength of seats.

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 shallnot 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.

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You are allowed to admit students in five year BA LL.B (H) as well as five year BBA LL.B (H) and five year B.Com LL.B (H) law courses with the prevalent/ existing (earlier approved by BCI) sections, for the academic year 2023-2024 subject to the condition that you will complete one time online registration link send on your official email address and upload the registered documents and photographs within a period of two months.

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.

This is for your information and necessary compliance and action.

[Natin Raj Chaturvedi]
Joint Secretary
Bar Council of India
Legal Education Department

[Ashok Kumar Pandey]
Joint Secretary
(H.O.D)
Legal Education Department

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[Srimanto Sen]
Secretary
Bar Council of India

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.

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

For any other query/ies you may send e-mail/s to <a href="mailto:dlebci@gmail.com">dlebci@gmail.com</a>

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Dated 27.08.2022

To,

1	The Registrar,
	Amity University,
	Jaipur,
	Rajasthan
2	The Principal,
	Amity Law School,
	Amity University Rajasthan,
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	Jaipur – 303002, Rajasthan

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Sir,

This is with reference to above mentioned subject regarding extension of provisional approval of affiliation Amity Law School, Amity University, Jaipur, Rajasthan which has already applied for extension of approval of affiliation for the academic year 2022-2023

This is to bring to your kind knowledge that the following resolution was passed on 08th June, 2022 by the General Council of the Bar Council of India with respect to grant of provisional approval of affiliation for academic year 2022-2023 for those centers of Legal Education which have applied for approval of affiliation for the academic year 2022-2023.

"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

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Compliance: JCT Meeting Letter MJ Education/colleges may continue to admit students only for the academic year 2022-2023. 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 which shall be 31st August, 2022, whereby every center of Legal Education/college shall be 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 fulfilment 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 or latest by 31st August, 2022.

However, regardless of the date of 31st August, 2022 for compliance, 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 scanned way of 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, by 31st August, 2022, then their application for extension of approval for 2022-2023 shall not be considered and, if, approval is granted for the academic session 2022-2023, it may be withdrawn too.

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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 a notarized affidavit, by 31st August, 2022 failing which as stated above their application for extension of approval for 2022-23 shall not be considered and if approval, is granted for the academic session 2021-2022, the same may be withdrawn too."

You are allowed to admit students in **five year BA LL.B** (H) as well as **five year BBA LL.B** (H) and **five year B.Com LL.B** (H) law courses with the prevalent/ existing (earlier approved by BCI) sections, for the academic year 2022-2023

This is for your information and necessary action.

[Nalin Raj Chaturvedi]
Asstt.Secretary
Bar Council of India
Legal Education Department

[Ashok Kumar Pandey]
Joint Secretary
(H.O.D)

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

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Compliance: JCT Meeting Letter MJ Note – The refundable guarantee amount (basic amount) is Rs. 5 lacs and if the guarantee amount is not paid immediately after initial grant of approval, you are liable to be levied with an interest or penalty for late deposit of Guarantee Amount.

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

For any other query/ies you may send e-mail/s to <a href="mail/sending-mail.com">dlebci@gmail.com</a>

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To,

The Registrar, **Amity University,** Jaipur, Rajasthan

Sub: Extension of provisional temporary approval of affiliation to Amity Law School, Amity University, Jaipur, Rajasthan for five year BA LL.B (H) as well as five year BBA LL.B (H) and five year B.Com LL.B (H) integrated law degree courses for the academic year 2021-2022 with the prevalent/existing sections (earlier specifically approved in writing by BCI) with intake of not more than 60 students in one section and regularization of admission made during the academic period / year 2020-2021. Sir.

This is with reference to above mentioned subject regarding extension of provisional approval of affiliation to Amity Law School, Amity University, Jaipur, Rajasthan which has already applied for extension of approval of affiliation for the academic year 2021-2022.

This is to bring to your kind knowledge that the following resolution was passed on 24th June, 2021 by the standing committee of Legal Education Committee of Bar council of India. with respect to grant of provisional approval of affiliation for academic year 2021-2022 for those centers of Legal Education which have applied for approval of affiliation for the academic year 2021-2022.

RESOLVED that the existing Centers of Legal Education inclusive of Recognized Universities, University Law Departments, colleges/Law Schools (i) whose inspection fee has been deposited and application for extension of approval of affiliation is pending, but, no inspection could be done; or (ii) though the inspection has been done, but inspection report could not be placed before the Legal Education Committee or before the Standing Committee for its consideration, such Centers of Legal Education/colleges are allowed to continue to admit students.

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However, this approval is accorded only for the academic year 2021-2022. It is further made clear that this will apply only in case where affiliation has been granted by the University. Such provisional approval by Bar Council of India shall be subject to any decision taken after the inspection of the Centre of Legal Education is done by the Bar Council of India subsequently.

As per the circular dated 05.02.2020 bearing No.BCI:D:158 (LE:Circulation No.01/2020), issued to all Centers of Legal education, and as per the extended time for such compliance (*The Council has extended the time for such compliance to 14th February, 2022*), every center of Legal Education/college shall be 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 from date of receipt of communication on a regular basis, unless specifically sought at other intervals.

The Centers of Legal Education shall 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. Show cause notices had also been issued specifically to certain Centers of Legal Education/Colleges, with conditions mentioned therein to be complied with immediately.

It is made clear that if any Center of Legal Education, fails to submit all the required documents as sought by way of the referred circular and the show cause notices (where applicable), within the stipulated/extended time for such compliance, then application for extension of approval for 2022-2023 of such Centers of Legal Education shall not be considered and, if, approval is granted for the academic session 2021-2022 by way of any reason whatsoever, then it may be withdrawn too.

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 ANNEXURE-A, attached to affiliation letter. This is required to be anotarized affidavit. In case of failure of compliance by any Center of Legal Education their application for extension of approval for 2022-23 shall not be considered and if approval is granted for the academic session 2021-2022, the same may be liable to be withdrawn too.

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You are allowed to admit students in five year BA LL.B (H) as well as five year BBA LL.B (H) and five year B.Com LL.B (H) integrated law degree courses with the prevalent/ existing (earlier specifically approved in writing by BCI) sections for the academic year 2021-2022.

The earlier period from 2020-2021 is also regularized since the college had deposited the inspection fee.

The Centre of Legal Education is requested to ensure to send to BCI, the last sanctioned written approval accorded by BCI to it, with section strength, at the earliest for verification.

This is for your information and necessary action.

Yours sincerely

[Nalin Raj Chaturvedi]
Asstt.Secretary
Bar Council of India

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Secretary
Bar Council of India

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 – The refundable guarantee amount (basic amount) is Rs. 5 lacs and if the guarantee amount is not paid immediately after initial grant of approval, you are liable to be levied with an interest or penalty for late deposit of Guarantee Amount.

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### ANNEXURE-'A'

The University/college must send a duly notarized affidavit stating the details of faculty members including the Principal/Head of Institution, and Head of Department specifying and certifying their qualifications and the subjects being taught by them and further stating the salary being paid to the faculty members by RTGS/NEFT/Cheque which must be as per UGC scale under Bankers Book of Evidence Act. Authenticated, signed and certified Bank Statements, have to be necessarily furnished to the Bar Council of India every three months.

For the present moment authenticated signed and certified Bank Statements bearing bank stamp/seal and signature of the bank manager for a period of three months with effect from the date of receipt of this letter for the preceding period of three months must be furnished immediately.

This must be continued to be submitted every three months without fail.

Furthermore, 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 cases, Indian Bar Review, selected Judgements on Professional Ethics and Journals with the back volumes for at least ten years and also such number of text books in each subjects taught during the period according to the minimum standard ratio of ten books for each registered students. For running integrated program, text books of such other subjects are also to be kept in the similar minimum ratio. 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."

Further the College/University should ensure to follow Rule-10 of Legal Education Rules 2008 which is quoted hereunder.

### 10. Semester system

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.

Furthermore, a compliance affidavit in this regard too should be furnished.

A Compliance affidavit shall also be required to be furnished with respect to the follows: - 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.

The College/University has also ensure to furnish compliance affidavit with regard to following Clause-24, Schedule-II of Legal Education Rule-2008 which lays down Moot Court exercises and Internship; rules Clause-25, Schedule-III lays down Minimum period of Internship which is quoted hereunder.

However, during the pandemic period, it has been left open to the University to choose any alternative mode with respect to the same, owing to practical feasibility/unfeasibility of the same.

# 24. Moot court exercise and Internship:

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

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 Final Semester of the course in the 4th Clinical course as stipulated under the Rules in Schedule II.

Kindly ensure to comply with all the above stipulated and all other requisite Rules of Legal Education 2008 by way of compliance by way of duly notarized affidavit by attaching adequate documentary proof with the same preferably within a period of 6 weeks/ till extended time for such compliance for being eligible to be issued further Approval for further subsequent academic years.

It is suggested that all information should be provided to Bar Council of India both in hard and soft copy/pen-drive and by email at complianceaffiliationle2@gmail.com.

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