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**HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**  
**(RM)**

AMENDMENTS TO THE ANDHRA PRADESH PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES  
(ESTABLISHMENT) RULES, 2017.

**[G.O.Ms.No.2, Higher Education (RM), 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2026.]**

**NOTIFICATION**

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 45 of the Andhra Pradesh Private Universities (Establishment and Regulation) Act, 2016 (Act No.3 of 2016), the Government hereby makes the following amendments to the Private Universities (Establishment) Rules, 2017 issued in G.O.MS.No.22, H.E(E.C) Dept., Dated:18.05.2017 and as amended from time to time, namely: -

**AMENDMENTS**

In the said rules: -

1. The sub - clause (v) in clause (g) in sub-rule (1) of rule 2 shall be omitted
2. For sub rule (1) of rule 3, the following shall be substituted namely, -

(1). The Sponsoring Body intending to establish a Private University (Brownfield / Greenfield) may apply in the forms (as applicable) appended to this order to the Principal Secretary to the Government higher Education Department.

- i. Form-1: Application form for establishment of a Brownfield/ Greenfield Private University
- ii. Form-2: Detailed Project Report (DPR) Template for establishment of a Brownfield/ Greenfield Private University
- iii. Form-3: List of documentary evidences to be enclosed with DPR
- iv. Form-4: Check List for establishment of a Brownfield/ Greenfield Private University
- v. Form-5: Timelines for establishment of Brownfield/ Greenfield Private University

3. For sub rule (1) of rule 10, the following shall be substituted, namely, -

“(1) The admission is in respect of the seats under of Government Quota Seats of 35% in all courses to be filled up exclusively with candidates belonging to the State of Andhra Pradesh, duly following Presidential Order read with the rules for admissions into all courses issued by the Government from time to time relating to local area, local candidates, regional and Statewide reservations, and the rule of reservations, prescribed by time to time based on-

(1) The merit among the qualified candidates through the concerned Common Entrance Tests (CETs) conducted by the Government or its agency.

(2) The merit among the qualified candidates through the concerned entrance test conducted by the Universities for the courses which are not covered under a Common Entrance Test conducted by the Government or its agency”.

**KONA SASIDHAR,**  
*Secretary to Government.*

**Form-1**

[See Rule–3(1)]

**Application form for establishment of a Brownfield/ Greenfield Private University****1. Sponsoring Body Details**

- a. Name of Sponsoring Body:
- b. Legal Status (Trust/Society/Section 8 Company)
- c. Registration Number and Date:
- d. Registered Office Address with contact details:
- e. Profiles of the promoters of sponsoring body:

**2. Track Record and Experience**

- a. Details of existing institutions run (if any):
- b. Accreditations and recognitions received:
- c. Students' strength and graduate outcomes:
- d. Past contributions to higher education or research:

**3. Proposed University Profile**

- a. Proposed Name of the University:
- b. Proposed Location and existing Land extent and Ownership details:

**4. Details of Infrastructure**

- a. Academic Buildings and Facilities:
- b. Laboratories and Libraries:
- c. Residential and Hostel Infrastructure:
- d. Seminar Halls and Auditoriums:
- e. ICT and Digital Resources:
- f. Play grounds and sports facilities:

**5. Academic Programs and Faculty**

- a. List of UG/PG/Doctoral programs:
- b. Number and qualifications of faculty:
- c. Research and innovation output (patents, publications):
- d. Student enrolment:

## **6. Academic Plan**

- a. Faculties / schools, departments:
- b. Programmes (UG, PG, Ph.D.):
- c. Programme-wise student Intake:
- d. Curriculum innovation and pedagogical model, Skill Development, Experiential Learning:
- e. Plans for academic-industry collaboration

## **7. Governance and Policy Framework**

- a) Composition of the Governing Body and Involvement of family members:
- b) Governance Structure (BoG, Academic Council, etc.):
- c) Policy framework (HR, Finance, Research, Admissions, Fellowships and Scholarship):

## **8. Expansion and Implementation Roadmap**

- a. Planned Expansion –
  - I. Land area and ownership:
  - II. Year-wise student intake projections:
  - III. Academic Buildings, Infrastructure and Facilities:
  - IV. Laboratories and Libraries:
  - V. Residential and Hostel Infrastructure:
- b. ICT and Digital Resources:
- c. Timeline for infrastructure and academic rollout:
- d. Faculty recruitment plan and training schedule:

## **9. Finance Details :**

- a. Available Financial resources:
- b. Audited financial statements for the last five years:
- c. Corpus fund / endowment fund commitment:
- d. Project Cost, Sources of funding, Equity, Bank Guarantee:
- e. .Projected sources of income for the university:
- f. Receipts and expenditure of the university for the preceding and succeeding five years:

**10. Compliance with norms and standard / Regulations**

- a. Declaration of intent to comply with stipulated norms by statutory and regulatory bodies:
- b. No-objection certificate from local authority (if applicable):
- c. Affidavit of non-profit status and educational commitment:

**11.Supporting Documents and Checklist as per the DPR**

**Form-2**

[See Rule – 3(1)]

**Detailed Project Report (DPR) Template for establishment of a Brownfield/ Greenfield Private University****1. Executive Summary**

Provide a brief overview of the sponsoring body, rationale for establishment, strategic vision, academic focus, and expected societal impact.

**2. Introduction and Background**

Include details of the sponsoring body (trust/society/company), its history, past contributions to education, Promotor's background, financial soundness, and motivation behind setting up the university, SWOT and risk analysis.

**3. Vision, Mission, Goals and Objectives**

Goals, Objectives, Vision and Mission Statements of the proposed university.

**4. Proposed University Profile**

Name of University, Proposed Location, Area of Land, Mode of Acquisition (Owned/Leased), Urban/Rural Status, Proposed year of starting.

**5. Governance Structure**

Provide details of statutory bodies such as Board of Governors, Academic Council, Finance Committee, Include organizational chart / roles, draft Statutes and institutional policy framework etc.

**6. Academic Programmes and Schools**

List of existing and / or proposed faculties/schools, departments, programmes (UG, PG, Doctoral in alignment with NEP 2020

guidelines) and Programme-wise student Intake for the preceding and succeeding 10 years. Include curriculum framework. Policy on scholarships, inclusivity, equity.

## **7. Human Resource Plan**

Recruitment strategy, Staffing projections: teaching, non-teaching, administrative. Include recruitment norms as per UGC regulations and timeline for appointments.

## **8. Teaching-Learning Pedagogy**

Outline instructional methods (blended, experiential, online), LMS and digital infrastructure, Internships, faculty development programs, and outcome based education (OBE) implementation.

## **9. Student Support and Inclusivity Measures**

Describe policies for scholarships, counseling, grievance redressal, gender equity, safety, and inclusion.

## **10. Research, Innovation and Global Collaborations**

Detail research focus areas, proposed centers of excellence, innovation ecosystem, partnerships with national/international institutions, and plans for publications, patents, Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) and tech transfer. Internal Research funding, plan for the future projections.

## **11. Infrastructure Plan**

Provide details of land layout, academic buildings, hostels and proposed schedule of development, research labs, libraries, Information and Communication Technology (ICT) infrastructure, auditoriums, gymkhanas, games & sports facilities and sustainability features (rain water harvesting pits, sewerage treatment, etc.).

## **12. Industry Linkages and Employability**

Highlight scheme of mandatory semester-long internships, MoUs with industries, skill development, career services, entrepreneurship cells, Incubation centres and global placement support. Academic linkages with industry.

### **13. Financial Projections and Corpus**

Provide Project Cost details and financial viability plan supported by 10 year cash flow statement, existing financial resources, expenditure projections, source of funds, proposed fee structure, corpus fund details, endowments, research funding from internal funds, consultancy and fundraising strategy.

### **14. Quality Assurance and Accreditation**

Outline internal quality assurance systems, accreditation roadmap (NAAC, NBA, ABET, NIRF, QS, etc.), and benchmarking practices.

### **15. Compliance with norms and standards / regulations**

Mention compliance with AP Private Universities Act 2016, besides regulations, norms and standards stipulated by statutory and regulatory bodies like UGC, AICTE, PCI, BCI, etc., land and building norms, faculty/student ratio, reservation policies, and reporting obligations. List of approvals obtained (State Govt NOC, Land clearance, etc.)

### **16. Environmental and Social Commitment**

Discuss Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) alignment, campus sustainability practices, community engagement, and rural/urban outreach.

### **17. Roadmap and Milestones**

Timeline for university development phases (Year 1 to Year 10), student intake, academic, Research and Technology development, patents, start-ups, infrastructural, financial, staffing milestones, and provide Gantt Chart.

### **18. Conclusion**

Summarize long-term vision, expected contributions to regional/national/global education systems, and commitment to excellence.

**Form-3**

[See Rule – 3(1)]

**List of documentary evidences to be enclosed with DPR**

This document provides a section-wise list of documentary evidences required to accompany the Detailed Project Report (DPR) for establishing a Private University, as per the Andhra Pradesh Private Universities Act, 2016 in line with UGC (Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2023, and global higher education standards.

**1. Introduction and Background**

- a. Registration Certificate of Sponsoring Body (Society/Trust/Company)
- b. Memorandum of Association and Bye-laws
- c. PAN and GST registration documents
- d. Past audited financial statements (Last 3–5 years)

**2. Vision, Mission, Goals and Objectives**

- a. Board-approved vision & mission statements

**3. Proposed University Profile**

- a. Land ownership/lease documents (title deed or lease deed)
- b. Site plan and GIS location map
- c. Land conversion certificate (if applicable)
- d. Local body/NOC for land use

**4. Governance Structure**

- a. Draft University Statutes and Organizational Structure
- b. Proposed composition of Governing Bodies (Board of Governors, Academic Council)
- c. CVs of proposed administrative leadership (BoG members, Chancellor, Vice-Chancellor, Registrar, etc.)

**5. Academic Programmes and Schools**

- a. Proposed Academic Plan: List of Schools, Departments,

### Programmes

- b. Curriculum outlines or syllabi samples (UG, PG, PhD)
- c. Mapping to UGC/NHEQF guidelines

## **6. Research, Innovation and Global Collaborations**

- a. Proposed Research & Innovation Policy
- b. MoUs or letters of intent with research collaborators/industry
- c. Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) policy draft

## **7. Teaching-Learning Pedagogy**

- a. Academic delivery model and pedagogy framework
- b. LMS platform specs or vendor MoU
- c. Faculty development policy

## **8. Infrastructure Plan**

- a. Master Plan of Campus (architect certified) including academic, administrative, residential, sports and games, cocurricular etc.,
- b. Building floor plans, block-wise
- c. Budget allocation and phase-wise construction schedule

## **9. Human Resource Plan**

- a. Faculty recruitment plan
- b. HR policies (UGC-compliant)
- c. Awards and recognitions for faculty (past and proposed)
- d. Sample advertisement draft for faculty recruitment

## **10. Student Support and Inclusivity Measures**

- a. Policy on scholarships, inclusivity, equity
- b. Safety and grievance redressal framework
- c. Disability inclusion statement or infrastructure provisions

**11. Industry Linkages and Employability**

- a. MoUs with industry partners, employers, chambers
- b. Career Services & Entrepreneurship Cell Proposal
- c. Sample industry internship templates

**12. Financial Projections and Corpus**

- a. Bank statement confirming deposit of corpus fund
- b. Certificate from Chartered Accountant on financial capability

**13. Quality Assurance and Accreditation**

- a. Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) proposal
- b. Draft accreditation roadmap (NAAC, NBA, NIRF, QS)
- c. Academic audit and performance evaluation policy

**14. Legal Compliance**

- a. Compliance declaration (UGC & State Act)
- b. Compliance with labor laws / employment department regarding staff
- c. Copies of relevant regulatory notifications
- d. Affidavit from sponsoring body committing adherence to Acts and Regulations

**15. Environmental and Social Commitment**

- a. Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA), if applicable
- b. Green campus with energy, water -waste-and sustainability policy
- c. Community engagement plan

**16. Roadmap and Milestones**

- a. Detailed Gantt chart/timeline (Years 1–10)
- b. Phase-wise implementation plan
- c. Monitoring and review mechanism

**17. Conclusion**

- a. Summary statement signed by the Sponsoring Body
- b. Board resolution approving the DPR for submission

**Form-4**

[See Rule – 3(1)]

**Check List for establishment of a Brownfield/ Greenfield Private University****Section I: General Information**

| <b>S.No</b> | <b>CHECKLIST ITEM</b>                                                      | <b>DETAILS</b>                                                                                                                           | <b>Summary of details as per DPR</b> | <b>Check list page number</b> |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| 1.          | Proposed University Name with the name of the existing Institution(if any) | Proposed name for the university.<br><br>Include name of existing institution, affiliation status, and operational years, if applicable. |                                      |                               |
| 2.          | Sponsoring Body Details                                                    | Name, Type (Trust/Society/Company), Registration No., Date                                                                               |                                      |                               |
| 3.          | Registered Office Address                                                  | Full address of the sponsoring body                                                                                                      |                                      |                               |
| 4.          | Contact Person                                                             | Name, Designation, Email, Mobile                                                                                                         |                                      |                               |
| 5.          | Governance Structure                                                       | Membership of Governing Bodies – Yes / No                                                                                                |                                      |                               |

**Section II: Land Details**

| <b>S.No.</b> | <b>CHECKLIST ITEM</b>           | <b>Whether documents attached or no</b>                | <b>Summary of details as per DPR</b> | <b>Check list page number</b> |
|--------------|---------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| A            | Extent of Land                  | ownership documents attached - Yes / No                |                                      |                               |
| B            | Geographical Contiguity of Land | land sketch attached - Yes/No                          |                                      |                               |
| C            | Land Verification Certificate   | Issued by Revenue Authorities (Dy. Tahsildar or above) |                                      |                               |
| D            | Additional Land Plans (if any)  | Availability of land in neighbourhood – Yes / No       |                                      |                               |

### **Section III: Institutional Capacity and Academic Details**

| <b>S.No.</b> | <b>CHECKLIST ITEM</b>         | <b>Whether relevant document attached or not</b>                | <b>Summary of details as per DPR</b> | <b>Check list page number</b> |
|--------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| A            | Commencement of Operation     | New / Existing                                                  |                                      |                               |
| B            | Programmes Offered & Proposed | List of UG, PG, Ph.D. programs                                  |                                      |                               |
| C            | NEP 2020 Compliance           | Yes/No – include curriculum philosophy                          |                                      |                               |
| D            | Student Enrolment             | Programme wise, Year wise, Approved / Proposed Intake, Admitted |                                      |                               |
| E            | Faculty Details               | Total no. of faculty, List of faculty with qualifications       |                                      |                               |
| F            | Recruitment Strategy          | Staffing projections attached – Yes / No                        |                                      |                               |
| G            | Research Output               | Year wise number of publications, patents, funded projects      |                                      |                               |

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|---|---------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--|--|
| H | Academic Collaborations   | Foreign/Indian academic partners, joint degrees                                |  |  |
| I | Details of Infrastructure | Campus Layout with building plans                                              |  |  |
| J | Academic Governance Plan  | Draft Statutes, BoG, Academic Council, Internal Quality Assessment Cell (IQAC) |  |  |
| K | Accreditation             | NAAC/NBA/ABET/ISO/QS/ with validity details                                    |  |  |

#### Section IV: Infrastructure and Resources

| S.No. | CHECKLIST ITEM                                        | DETAILS                                                               | Summary of details as per DPR | Check list page number |
|-------|-------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| A     | Academic Buildings                                    | Building Plan Approval Number & Date, built-up area, utilization plan |                               |                        |
| B     | Hostels, Cafeteria, Transport                         | Available building and plans for scale-up                             |                               |                        |
| C     | Library, ICT & Digital Resources                      | Facilities, LMS/ERP systems in use                                    |                               |                        |
| D     | Infrastructure Expansion Plan                         | Timeline and phasing plan (attached) – Yes / No                       |                               |                        |
| E     | Compliance with norms & standards of statutory bodies | declare parameters complied - Yes / No                                |                               |                        |

**Section V: Financial Projections**

| <b>S.No.</b> | <b>Checklist Item</b>               | <b>Details</b>                               | <b>Summary of details as per DPR</b> | <b>Check list page number</b> |
|--------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| A            | Project Cost                        | Details attached – Yes / No                  |                                      |                               |
| B            | Year-wise Budget Forecast           | Revenue vs. expenditure projections          |                                      |                               |
| C            | Corpus Fund                         | Amount available and Commitment – Yes / No   |                                      |                               |
| D            | Financial viability (Last 10 years) | Attach Cash flow statement – Yes / No        |                                      |                               |
| E            | Fee Structure                       | Programme-wise, year wise details – Yes / No |                                      |                               |
| F            | Fund raising/ Endowments            | Sources of funds enclosed – Yes / No         |                                      |                               |
| G            | Current financial status            | Amount in Bank, deposits etc. (Bank balance) |                                      |                               |

### Section VI: Regulatory Compliance & Accreditation

| S.No. | Checklist Item                                             | Details                  | Summary of details as per DPR | Check list page number |
|-------|------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| A     | Compliance with Statutory Norms, Standards and regulations | Yes/No                   |                               |                        |
| B     | Approvals obtained                                         | List attached – Yes / No |                               |                        |
| C     | Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) alignment              | Plan of Action –         |                               |                        |
|       |                                                            | Yes / No                 |                               |                        |

### Section VII: Roadmap and Monitoring

| S.No. | Checklist Item                                   | Details                                                            | Summary of details as per DPR | Check list page number |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| A     | Development Roadmap (10 Years)                   | Academic, infrastructural, staffing milestones attached – Yes / No |                               |                        |
| B     | Risk Management Plan                             | SWOT analysis attached – Yes / No                                  |                               |                        |
| C     | Monitoring and Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) | Year-wise institutional goals attached – Yes / No                  |                               |                        |

**Form-5**

[See Rule – 3(1)]

**Timelines for establishment of Brownfield/ Greenfield Private University**

The proposals for the establishment of private universities are invited twice a year. The processing of the proposals will be carried out as per the schedule given below:

| Stage | Activity                                                                                                                                                                                         | Reference         | Timelines Session 1    | Timelines Session 2   |
|-------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1     | Submission of Application by Sponsoring Body with DPR & Fees                                                                                                                                     | Section 6         | 31 <sup>st</sup> March | 31 <sup>st</sup> July |
| 2     | Forwarding the proposal to Expert Committee through APSCH by the Government                                                                                                                      | Section 8(1)      | 16th April             | 16th August           |
| 3     | Expert Committee<br>(i) to examine the proposal<br>(ii) to interact with the sponsoring body<br>(iii) to visit the existing / proposed campus<br>(iv) review the matter<br>(v) submit the report | Section 8(5)      | 30th June              | 31st October          |
| 4.    | Government Review of Expert Report and Decision and issue of Lol (Accept/Modify/Reject)                                                                                                          | Section 10(1) (2) | 31st July              | 30th November         |
| 5.    | Compliance with Lol Conditions by Sponsoring Body                                                                                                                                                | Section 10(4)     | 31st August            | 31st December         |
| 6.    | Verification of Compliance by Expert Committee                                                                                                                                                   | Section 10(5)     | 30th September         | 31st January          |

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| 7. | Final Approval and Notification (Act) – Name added to Schedule | Section 11 | The notification may come into force with effect from the amendment to be made to the Schedule of the Andhra Pradesh Private Universities (Establishment and Regulation) Act, 2016. | The notification may come into force with effect from the amendment to be made to the Schedule of the Andhra Pradesh Private Universities (Establishment and Regulation) Act, 2016. |

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*Secretary to Government.*

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