PROCEEDINGS OF THE COMMISSIONER OF COLLEGIATE EDUCATION AP::VIJAYAWADA

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Sub: Commissionerate of Collegiate Education – Code of Professional Ethics, Roles and Responsibilities of Principals, Lecturers, Physical Directors, and College Librarians working in Government Degree Colleges – Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to be followed- reg.

Ref: 1.G.O Ms.No.14, Higher Education (U.E) Department dt.13-02-2019.

2.HandBook for College Principal, Commissionerate of Collegiate Education, dated: Nil.

3.A.P.Civil Service (conduct) rules of 1964 issued in G.O.Ms.No.468 G.A (ser .C.) dept dated 17-04-1964.

The Government of Andhra Pradesh is committed to maintain standards in Higher Education and prescribed the Code of Professional Ethics for College Teachers, Principals, Physical Directors and College Librarians vide ref.no1 cited, which emphasizes that whoever adopts teaching as a profession assumes the obligation to conduct himself / herself in accordance with the ideal of the profession. A teacher is constantly under the scrutiny of his students and the society at large. Therefore, every teacher should see that there is no incompatibility between his precepts and practice. The national ideals of education which have already been set forth and which he/she should seek to inculcate among students must be his/her own ideals. The profession further requires that the teacher should be calm, patient and communicative by temperament and amiable in disposition.

Educational institution is a place where the future of the students is shaped and thereby the destiny of the nation is carved. Hence it has a special place in the society and needs special code of conduct. National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 states that in order to ensure positive learning environments, the role expectations of Principals and teachers will explicitly include developing a caring and inclusive culture at their institutions for effective learning and the benefit of all stakeholders.

Along with general conduct rules prescribed by the Government and UGC, the Principals, Lecturers, Physical Directors, and College Librarians working in Government Degree Colleges shall follow the code of conduct and perform the following duties and responsibilities.

I. General: (AP Civil Services Conduct Rules)

The employees working in the department of Collegiate Education are governed by A.P.Civil Service (conduct) rules of 1964 issued in G.O.Ms.No 468 G.A (ser .C.) dept dated 17-04-1964.

The salient features of the conduct rules are:

- 1. Every Govt. employee shall be devoted to his/her duty and shall maintain absolute integrity, discipline, impartiality and sense of propriety. He/ she shall not join any organization or association, the objects of which are prejudicial to the state.
- The Govt. employees shall not participate in any strike or similar activity and shall not participate in any demonstration, which is against the interest of the state.
- 3. The Govt. employees or his/her family members shall not accept gifts of any sort from any body.
- 4. The Govt. employees shall not raise subscription or any other pecuniary assistance in pursuance of any objective what so ever.
- 5. The Govt. employees or his/her family members shall not lend or borrow or deposit money or lend money to any person on interest.
- 6. The Govt. employees or his/her family members shall not acquire or dispose movable or immovable property exceeding the monetary limits prescribed by the Govt. except after previous intimation to the govt.
- The Govt. employees shall not engage directly or indirectly in any trade or business.
- 8. The Govt. employees shall not promote or manage companies in private capacity.
- 9. The Govt. employees shall not, except with previous sanction of Govt. negotiate or undertake any employment or work other than that of his official duties,
- 10. No Govt. employee who has a wife living shall contract another marriage without obtaining permission of the Govt. No female Govt. employees shall marry any person who has a wife living without obtaining the permission from the Govt.
- 11. No Govt. employees shall, while on duty, be under the influence of liquor or drugs, which render him incapable of discharging his/her duty. No employee shall appear in a public place in a state of intoxication.
- 12. No Govt. employees shall criticize the policy and action of the Govt. or any other State Govt. or central Govt.
- 13. No Govt. employees shall participate in politics or elections.

Any violation of conduct Rules attracts the provision of APCS (CCA) Rules, 1991 for initiation of disciplinary action against such employee.

II. Code of Conduct for the College Principal:

A College Principal is the hub around which the entire activity of the institution revolves. The motive forces of activities in a College campus apparently are students,