

F. RESERVATION POLICY OF THE UNIVERSITY

i) Statutory provisions

865) Section-60 of the University Act makes it obligatory upon the University to follow the directions of the Government issued from time to time as regards the category of posts in which reservation of posts should be made in favour of members of Scheduled Caste (S.C.), Scheduled Tribes (S.T.), and the members belonging to Other Backward Class (OBC), the percentage of the posts to be reserved for them and any other matter connected with such reservation. As regards the question of reservation for Backward Classes, there is an Act passed by the State legislature viz. Maharashtra State Public Services (Reservation for Scheduled Caste, Schedule Tribes, Denotified Tribes (Vimukta Jati), Nomadic Tribes, Special Backward Category and Other Backward Classes), Act, 2001 (for short, the Reservation Act) Maharashtra Act No.VIII of 2004 which came into force w.e.f. 29.1.2004 as per the Government Notification dated the same i.e. 29.1.2004 issued under section 1(3) of the said Act Section 2 (i) of the Reservation Act, 2001, defines the expression "public services and posts" which, in its clause (iv), includes the services and posts in an "University" established by or under the Maharashtra Act. Dr.PDKV, Akola being the University established under the Maharashtra Agricultural Universities (Krishi Vidyapeeths) Act, 1983, the reservation policy to be followed by it is governed by the provisions of the said Reservation Act. Since the said Act has come into force prior to the date when the advertisement in question dated 14.8.2004 (Ex.2) for filling the posts advertised therein was issued, the said Act is applicable for selection and appointment in the posts of SRA and JRA in question.

866) Section 4 (2) of the Reservation Act provides for reservation of posts for various categories of backward classes in making direct recruitment in public services and posts. The reservation of posts for various backward classes is as under:

Sr. No.	Description of Caste/Tribe/Category/Class	Percentage of vacancies or seats to be reserved
i)	Scheduled Caste	13%
ii)	Schedule Tribe	7%
iii)	Denotified Tribe (A)	3%
iv)	Nomadic Tribe (B)	2.5%
v)	Nomadic Tribe (C)	3.5%
vi)	Nomadic Tribe (D)	2%
vii)	S.B.C.	2%
viii)	OBC	19%
	Total	52%

867) Section-5 then provides that there shall be reservation of posts at all stages of promotions and the Govt. orders, if any, issued in that regard would continue in force till they are modified or revoked. Section-10 of the said Act which is relevant in this

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V of Scheduled Tribes, De-notified Tribes (*Vimukta Jatis*), Nomadic Tribes V of 2006
2006. and Other Backward Classes) Ordinance, 2006, is hereby repealed. and
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(2) Notwithstanding such repeal anything done or any action taken (including any notification or order issued), under the said Ordinance, shall be deemed to have been done, taken or issued, as the case may be, under the corresponding provisions of this Act.

Protection of action taken in good faith. 8. No suit, prosecution or other legal proceedings shall lie against any authority or person for anything done or purported to have been done in good faith in pursuance of the provisions of this Act or the rules made thereunder.

Power to make rules. 9. (1) The Government may, by notification in the *Official Gazette*, make rules to carry out the purposes of this Act.

(2) Every rule made under this Act shall be laid, as soon as may be, after it is made, before each House of the State Legislature, while it is in session for a total period of thirty days, which may be comprised in one session or in two or more successive sessions, and if, before the expiry of the session in which it is so laid or the sessions immediately following, both Houses agree in making any modification in the rule or both Houses agree that the rule should not be made, and notify their decision to that effect in the *Official Gazette*, the rule shall, from the date of publication of such decision in the *Official Gazette*, have effect only in such modified form or be of no effect, as the case may be; so, however, that any such modification or annulment shall be without prejudice to the validity of anything previously done or omitted to be done under that rule.

Provisions of the Act to be in addition to any other law. 10. The provisions of this Act shall be in addition to and not in derogation of the provisions contained in any other law for the time being in force.

Provisions not to prohibit Minority Educational Institutions from making reservations. 11. Notwithstanding anything contained in any other provisions of this Act, any Minority Educational Institution, whether aided or not, may provide for reservation in admissions to Professional Courses for candidates belonging to the Reserved Category.

Power to remove difficulty. 12. (1) If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of this Act, the Government may, as occasion arises, by an order published in the *Official Gazette*, do anything not inconsistent with the provisions of this Act, which appears to it to be necessary or expedient for removing the difficulty:

Provided that, no such order shall be made after the expiry of a period of two years from the date of commencement of this Act.

(2) Every order made under this section shall be laid, as soon as may be, after it is made, before each House of the State Legislature.

(m) "Sanctioned Intake" means the total number of seats sanctioned or approved by the Appropriate Authority for admitting candidates in a single academic year in each Professional Course of study or discipline in a Private Professional Educational Institution;

(n) "Scheduled Castes" and "Scheduled Tribes" shall have the meanings respectively assigned to them in clauses (24) and (25) of article 366 of the Constitution;

(o) "Unaided Private Professional Educational Institution" means a Private Professional Educational Institution, not being an Aided Private Professional Educational Institution;

(p) "University" means the Maharashtra University of Health Sciences constituted under the Maharashtra University of Health Sciences Act, 1998, or any other University constituted or deemed to have been constituted under the Maharashtra Universities Act, 1994, but does not include any institution declared to be Deemed University under section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956.

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Applicability. 3. This Act shall apply to all Private Professional Educational Institutions in the State, excluding the Minority Educational Institutions.

Reservation in Aided Private Professional Educational Institutions. 4. (1) In every Aided Private Professional Educational Institution, seats equal to fifty per cent. of the Sanctioned Intake of each Professional Course shall be reserved for candidates belonging to the Reserved Category.

(2) The seats reserved for candidates belonging to the Reserved Category under sub-section (1) shall be filled in by admitting candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, De-notified Tribes (*Vimukta Jatis*), Nomadic Tribes and Other Backward Classes, respectively, in the proportion specified in the Table below :—

TABLE

Description of Caste/Tribe/Category/ Class of Reserved Category	Percentage of reservation
(1) Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Castes converts to Buddhism	13 %
(2) Scheduled Tribes	7 %
(3) De-notified Tribes (A)	3 %
(4) Nomadic Tribes (B)	2.5 %
(5) Nomadic Tribes (C)	3.5 %
(6) Nomadic Tribes (D)	2 %
(7) Other Backward Classes	19 %
Total . .	50 %

(c) "Creamy Layer" means the category of 'Creamy Layer' as declared by the Social Justice, Cultural Affairs and Special Assistance Department of the Government, on the basis of income, by general or special orders, issued from time to time;

(d) "De-notified Tribes (*Vimukta Jatis*)" means the Tribes declared as such by the Government, from time to time;

(e) "Government" means the Government of Maharashtra;

(f) "Minority Educational Institution" means a Private Professional Educational Institution administered, managed and controlled by a minority, and shall include any such educational institution declared by the Government to be an institution entitled to enjoy the protection granted under clause (1) of article 30 of the Constitution;

(g) "Nomadic Tribes" means the Tribes wandering from place to place in search of their livelihood, as declared by the Government, from time to time;

(h) "Other Backward Classes" means any socially and educationally backward classes of citizens as declared by the Government and includes Other Backward Classes declared by the Government of India in relation to the State of Maharashtra;

(i) "Private Professional Educational Institution" means any College, School, Institute, Institution or other body, by whatever name called, conducting any professional course or courses approved or recognized by the Appropriate Authority and affiliated to any University, but shall not include any such institution established, maintained or administered by the Central Government, any State Government, any local authority or institution declared to be Deemed University under section 3 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956;

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(j) "Professional Course" means any educational course of study notified as such, from time to time, by the Government in the *Official Gazette*;

(k) "prescribed" means prescribed by the rules framed by the Government under this Act;

(l) "Reserved Category" means the category of candidates belonging to—

(i) the Scheduled Castes and the Scheduled Tribes;

(ii) the De-notified Tribes (*Vimukta Jatis*), Nomadic Tribes, and Other Backward Classes and who are not falling in Creamy Layer;

been amended by the Constitution (Ninety-third Amendment) Act, 2005, by adding clause (5) thereto, which empowers the State to make, by law, a special provision for the advancement of those classes, castes and tribes, in so far as such special provisions relate to their admission to educational institutions, including private educational institutions, whether aided by the State or not, other than the minority educational institutions referred to in clause (1) of article 30 of the Constitution ;

AND WHEREAS both Houses of the State Legislature were not in session ;

AND WHEREAS the Governor of Maharashtra was satisfied that circumstances existed which rendered it necessary for him to take immediate action to make, by law, special provisions for reservation of seats for admission for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, De-notified Tribes (*Vimukta Jatis*), Nomadic Tribes and Other Backward Classes in Private Professional Educational Institutions ; and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto ; and, therefore, promulgated the Maharashtra Private Professional Educational Institutions (Reservation of seats for admission for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, De-notified Tribes (*Vimukta Jatis*), Nomadic Tribes and Other Backward Classes) Ordinance, 2006, on the 16th June 2006 ;

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AND WHEREAS it is expedient to replace the said Ordinance by an Act of the State Legislature ; it is hereby enacted in the Fifty-seventh Year of the Republic of India as follows :—

Short title, extent and commencement. 1. (1) This Act may be called the Maharashtra Private Professional Educational Institutions (Reservation of seats for admission for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, De-notified Tribes (*Vimukta Jatis*), Nomadic Tribes and Other Backward Classes) Act, 2006.

(2) It shall extend to the whole of the State of Maharashtra.

(3) It shall be deemed to have come into force on the 16th June 2006.

Definitions. 2. In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) "Aided Private Professional Educational Institution" means a Private Professional Educational Institution, excluding a Minority Educational Institution referred to in clause (1) of article 30 of the Constitution, receiving recurring financial aid or assistance in whole or in part from the Government, or from any body under the control of the Government ;

(b) "Appropriate Authority" means, the Medical Council of India, the Dental Council of India, the Central Council of Indian Medicine, the All India Council of Technical Education, and includes any other authority established by law that governs or controls the conduct of a particular professional course or educational discipline ;



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In pursuance of clause (3) of article 248 of the Constitution of India, the following translation in English of the Maharashtra Private Professional Educational Institutions Reservation of seats for admission for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, De-notified Tribes (Vimukta Jatis), Nomadic Tribes and Other Backward Classes Act, 2006 (Mah. Act of 2006), is hereby published under the authority of the Governor.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra,

A. M. SHINDEKAR,

Secretary to Government,
Law and Judiciary Department.

MAHARASHTRA ACT No. XXX OF 2006.

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As Act to make special provisions for reservation of seats for admission for Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes, De-notified Tribes (Vimukta Jatis), Nomadic Tribes and Other Backward Classes in Private Professional Educational Institutions; and for matters connected therewith or incidental thereto.

WHEREAS the Supreme Court, in the case of P. A. Inamdar and Others versus State of Maharashtra (reported in (2005) 6 SCC 537), has held that neither as the policy of reservation be enforced by the State nor can any quota or percentage of admission be carved out to be appropriated by the State in Private Professional Educational Institutions;

AND WHEREAS in order to protect the interests of any socially and educationally backward classes of citizens or the Scheduled Castes or the Scheduled Tribes, article 15 of the Constitution of India has

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