

GOVERNMENT OF WEST BENGAL
HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT
BIKASH BHAVAN, SALT LAKE
KOLKATA - 700091

No. 101/OM-021/2022

Date: 14.01.2022

NOTIFICATION

Whereas, Professor Anuradha Mukhopadhyay, the Vice Chancellor of Diamond Harbour Women's University has tendered resignation from the post of the Vice Chancellor and sought release w.e.f. 15.01.2022 (afternoon) due to unavoidable circumstances and Hon'ble Chancellor of the University was pleased to accept her resignation with effect from the said date, and

Whereas, it has been proposed that the charge of the office of the Vice Chancellor of Diamond Harbour Women's University may be given to Professor Soma Bandopadhyay, in addition to her normal duties as Vice Chancellor of WBUTTEPA till the appointment of the Vice Chancellor under relevant section of the Diamond Harbour Women's University Act, 2012 and simultaneously to cease her additional charge of the office of the First Vice Chancellor of the Sanskrit College and University, and

Whereas, it has also been proposed that since no procedure regarding fresh appointment to the post of Vice Chancellor of Diamond Harbour Women's University has been initiated, the provisions prescribed under Section 9(5) of the Diamond Harbour Women's University Act, 2012 may be dispensed with for now, and

Whereas, considering the fact that Prof. Mukhopadhyay was appointed as Vice Chancellor of Diamond Harbour Women's University based on recommendation of a duly constituted Search Committee and thus she is eligible to continue as the Vice Chancellor of any other State-aided University, it has been proposed to appoint her as First Vice Chancellor of the Sanskrit College and University, under Section 57 of the Sanskrit College and University, West Bengal Act, 2015 till the appointment of regular Vice Chancellor of Sanskrit College and University as per the extant provisions of the Sanskrit College and University, West Bengal Act, 2015 and

Whereas, the above proposals were placed before Hon'ble Chancellor of both the Diamond Harbour Women's University and WBUTTEPA for suitable consideration and approval vide note dated 13th January, 2022, and

Whereas, the Hon'ble Chancellor, took a contrary stand and appointed Dr. Tapan Mondal, Dean, Faculty of Arts of DHWU as Vice Chancellor of Diamond Harbour Women's University for a period of six months or till regular VC appointment is effected, whichever is earlier, not in conformity with the provisions of Rule 9 of the West Bengal State Universities (Terms and Conditions of Service of the Vice Chancellors and the Manner and Procedure of Official Communication) Rules, 2019, and

Whereas Prof. Tapan Mondal, Dean, Faculty of Arts of DHWU has expressed his unwillingness to accept the position of the Vice Chancellor of Diamond Harbour Women's University due to family problems vide his email dated 14.01.2022, and

Whereas, it has now become emergent in the interest of students and smooth functioning of both the Universities, to give the charge of the office of the Vice Chancellor of Diamond Harbour Women's University with effect from 15.01.2022 (afternoon) and the charge of the office of the First Vice Chancellor of Sanskrit College and University, with effect from 16.01.2022 (forenoon), and

Whereas, it is pertinent to state that the office of the Vice chancellor, being the highest academic and administrative office of the University cannot be left vacant for any period of time and thus there is no other option available to the State Government but to invoke the provision of Removal of Difficulties available in the constituting Acts of both the Universities, and

Now, therefore, in consideration of the above and in exercise of the powers conferred by the Section 57 of the Diamond Harbour Women's University Act, 2012 and Section 59 of the Sanskrit College and University, West Bengal Act, 2015 read with recommendations made to Hon'ble Chancellor vide note dated 13.01.2022, the competent authority in the State Government has decided to give the charge of the office of the Vice Chancellor of Diamond Harbour Women's University to Prof. Soma Bandopadhyay, with effect from 15.01.2022 (afternoon) in addition to her normal duties as Vice Chancellor of WBUTTEPA till the appointment of the Vice Chancellor under relevant section of the Diamond Harbour Women's University Act, 2012 and simultaneously to give charge of the office of the First Vice Chancellor of Sanskrit College and University to Prof. Anuradha Mukhopadhyay, the outgoing Vice Chancellor of Diamond Harbour Women's University w.e.f 16.01.2022 (forenoon) till the appointment of regular First Vice Chancellor under Section 57 of the Sanskrit College and University, West Bengal Act, 2015.


Special Commissioner

Copy forwarded for information and for taking necessary action to:-

- (1) Prof. Soma Bandopadhyay, the Vice Chancellor, West Bengal University of Teacher's Training, education Planning and Administration, with request to take the additional charge of the office of the Vice Chancellor of Diamond Harbour Women's University w.e.f 15.01.2022 (afternoon) and handover the charge of the office of the First Vice-Chancellor of the Sanskrit College and University to Prof. Anuradha Mukhopadhyay, outgoing Vice Chancellor of Diamond Harbour Women's University w.e.f 16.01.2022 (forenoon),
- (2) Prof. Anuradha Mukhopadhyay, Vice Chancellor, Diamond Harbour Women's University, with a request to take the charge of the office of the First Vice-Chancellor of the Sanskrit College and University w.e.f 16.01.2022 (forenoon) and handover the charge of the office of the Vice-Chancellor of Diamond Harbour Women's University to Prof. Soma Bandopadhyay, the Vice Chancellor, West Bengal University of Teacher's Training, education Planning and Administration w.e.f 15.01.2022 (afternoon),
- (3) The Vice Chancellor, West Bengal University of Teacher's Training, Education Planning and Administration,
- (4) The Vice Chancellor, Diamond Harbour Women's University
- (5) Registrar, Diamond Harbour Women's University,
- (6) Registrar, Sanskrit College and University,
- (7) Registrar, West Bengal University of Teacher's Training, Education Planning and Administration,
- (8) Vice-Chairman (Academic), West Bengal State Council of Higher Education,
- (9) Deputy Secretary to the Hon'ble Governor of West Bengal, Raj Bhavan,
- (10) Prof. Tapan Mondal, Dean Faculty of Arts, Diamond Harbour Women's University- this is with reference to his email dated 14.01.2022,
- (11) Private Secretary to the Minister-in-Charge, Department of Higher Education, Govt. Of West Bengal,
- (12) Sr. PS to the Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Govt. Of West Bengal,
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