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Ministry of Education (Siksha Mantralaya)
Department of Higher Education (Uchchatar Siksha Vibhag)
ICR Division

Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi
Dated: 23rd March, 2026

NOTIFICATION

No. 9-18/2025-U.3(A): Whereas, the Central Government is empowered under Section 3 of the University Grants Commission (UGC) Act, 1956 to declare, on the advice of the UGC, an Institution of higher learning as an Institution deemed to be University.

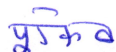
2. **And whereas,** an online application was submitted by Sri Durga Malleswari Educational Society on the UGC's Portal for grant of Institution deemed to be University status under distinct category in the name of Dr. RVR NRI Institute of Technology, Pothavarappadu (V), Via Nunna, Agiripalli(M), Krishna, Andhra Pradesh consisting of the following two colleges:

- i. NRI College of Pharmacy, Pothavarappadu (V), Agiripalli (M), Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh
- ii. NRI Institute of Technology, Pothavarappadu (V), Agiripalli (M), Vijayawada (Rural), Andhra Pradesh

3. **And whereas,** the Ministry of Education, on the advice of UGC, issued Letter of Intent (LoI) dated 26.09.2025 to Sri Durga Malleswari Educational Society for fulfilment of certain conditions within a period of three years before conferment of Institution Deemed to be University status under distinct category in the name of Dr. RVR NRI Institute of Technology, Pothavarappadu (V), Via Nunna, Agiripalli(M), Krishna, Andhra Pradesh.

4. **And further whereas,** the Chairman, Sri Durga Malleswari Educational Society, vide its mail dated 01.12.2025, submitted compliance report in respect of the conditions mentioned in the LoI, which was then forwarded to UGC for verification and advice. In response, UGC informed that the compliance report was placed before the same Expert Committee which had recommended for issuance of Letter of Intent (LoI). The Expert Committee accepted the compliance report of the Institution. The recommendation of UGC Expert Committee was considered and approved by the Commission in its 595th meeting (Item No. 2.25) held on 30.01.2026.

5. **Now, therefore,** in exercise of powers conferred under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956, the Ministry of Education, on the advice of the UGC, hereby declares Dr. RVR NRI Institute of Technology, Pothavarappadu (V), Via Nunna, Agiripalli(M), Krishna, Andhra Pradesh as an Institution deemed to be University under distinct category consisting of (i) NRI College of Pharmacy, Pothavarappadu (V), Agiripalli (M), Krishna District, Andhra



Pradesh and (ii) NRI Institute of Technology, Pothavarappadu (V), Agiripalli (M), Vijayawada (Rural), Andhra Pradesh. The said declaration is subject to the following conditions:

- i. All the undertakings given by the sponsoring body shall be strictly followed by the deemed to be University.
- ii. There shall be no diversion of assets or funds/revenues of the Institution Deemed to be University/or of its constituent teaching units, without prior permission of the UGC and Central Government.
- iii. Dr. RVR NRI Institute of Technology, Andhra Pradesh shall not engage or indulge in any activities that are of commercial and profit making in nature.
- iv. The academic programmes to be offered at Dr. RVR NRI Institute of Technology, Andhra Pradesh shall conform to the norms and standards prescribed by the UGC and the Statutory Councils/Bodies concerned.
- v. Dr. RVR NRI Institute of Technology, Andhra Pradesh shall align its courses with National Education Policy - 2020
- vi. Dr. RVR NRI Institute of Technology, Andhra Pradesh shall take all the required steps to get all the eligible academic courses/programmes rated for valid accreditation by National Board of Accreditation (NBA) and the Institute to get valid accreditation by National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC), as the case may be, in terms of the provisions as contained in the UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2023, as amended from time to time.
- vii. All the prescribed norms and procedures of the Statutory Councils concerned in the matter of admission of students, intake capacity of students, renewal of approval to the academic course / programme, revision of intake capacity of students, starting of new courses / programmes, etc. shall continue to be in force, and shall be adhered to by Dr. RVR NRI Institute of Technology, Andhra Pradesh
- viii. Dr. RVR NRI Institute of Technology, Andhra Pradesh shall submit MoA in accordance with UGC (Institutions Deemed to be Universities) Regulations, 2023 to this Ministry and UGC. Further, as and when necessary, it shall update or revise or modify its MoA / Rules, as per the provisions of the prevailing Regulations.
- ix. Dr. RVR NRI Institute of Technology, Andhra Pradesh shall follow the fee structure as per the Rules and Regulations of the UGC and relevant Statutory Councils.
- x. Dr. RVR NRI Institute of Technology, Andhra Pradesh shall participate in annual Indian rankings issued by National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) of this Ministry.
- xi. Dr. RVR NRI Institute of Technology, Andhra Pradesh shall compulsorily create Academic Bank of Credits (ABC), identities of their students and upload their credit score in digital lockers and ensure that the credit scores are reflected in ABC Portal and adopt Samarth e-Gov.

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2. The Member Secretary, All India Council for Technical Education, Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070.
3. The Secretary, Sri Durga Malleswari Educational Society, 39-17-8, Sivananda Street, Labbipet, Vijayawada, Krishna, Andhra Pradesh - 520010.
4. The Principal, NRI College of Pharmacy, Pothavarappadu Village, Agiripalli Mandal, Krishna District, Andhra Pradesh.
5. The Principal, NRI Institute of Technology, Pothavarappadu Village, Agiripalli Mandal, Vijayawada (Rural), Eluru District, Andhra Pradesh.
6. The Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Andhra Pradesh
7. The Registrar, Jawaharlal Nehru Technological University, Kakinada, Andhra Pradesh - 533003
8. Press Information Bureau, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001.
9. The Secretary-General, Association of Indian Universities, A.I.U. House, 16, Kotla Marg, New Delhi - 110002.
10. Joint Director (Administration) & Web Master, Department of Higher Education, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi with the request to issue necessary instructions to the CMIS Unit to display this notification on the website of Department of Higher Education.
11. PS to Hon'ble EM
12. Guard file / Notification file.

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