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Abstract

KUHS- deployment of mobile jammers inside the examination hall - directions from the office of the Cabinet Secretariat (security) - approved -Orders issued.

Examination Branch

No.169/2019/Exam General

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Read: 1) Minutes of the 23rd meeting of Board of Examinations dt.25.09.2019

2) Minutes of the 57th meeting of Governing Council dt.04.10.2019

3) Order in file no 5358/2018/A2-GC/Ex. Gen/KUHS dt.21/10/2019

Order

As per the mobile communication jammer policy in force of Government of India, the statutory examination conducting bodies are allowed to deploy low powered jammers to prevent cheating or such other mal practices as may be done using mobile phones, during examinations. This is subject to the further condition that the deployment of jammers, however, would not be through procurement/ ownership of the equipment. The Institutions would be given permission to take it on lease basis and would therefore have to pay for using jammers on the specific date of examination only.

As per the policy of KUHS, the jammers have to be deployed by the affiliated institutions in the Theory Examinations Halls and most of them have procured mobile jammers from various vendors and these jammers are not as per the specifications laid down by the Government of India. Now the central agencies have started serving notices to the affiliated colleges for the reason of causing jam of the spectrum of approved telecom operators.

The jammer policy document of Government of India has been circulated to all affiliated colleges and applications received for installing jammers, in the prescribed formats have been forwarded to the Cabinet Secretariat (securities) for approval and they have, in turn approved the deployment of jammers through M/S BEL (Model CJR05) and from M/S ECIL (Model No.EC-SJ-555b) Hyderabad during September 2019 to January 2020 subject to the conditions that :-

- (a) The jammer models deployed will be as per approved model of M/S BEL and M/S ECIL (details uploaded at www.cabsee.nic.in/circular.policy.jammers.phq)
- (b) Each jammer deployed in the examination centres, as indicated in the list of letters under reference, (who have already applied in the prescribed format through KUHS) will be accounted for and any discrepancy in this regard will be reported immediately to the appropriate law enforcement agency and to the office of Secretary (Security).
- (c) While deploying the jammer, it will be ensured that the jammers do not interfere with existing mobile communication network outside examination centres.

- (d) An effective co-ordination with M/S ECIL and M/S BEL may be held of deployment of jammers and deployment details may be shared with the jammer vendor well in advance.
- (e) Performance of the jammers may be verified before deployment as effectiveness of the jammers depends on various factors like its power output, signal strength of BTS, traffic load on BTS at a given point of time, distance of jammer from BTS, sensitivity of receivers, terrain, topography, line of sight etc.
- (f) The effectiveness of jammers deployed at different examination centres should be checked well before the commencement of examination.
- (g) All Wifi and Bluetooth devices within / in the vicinity of examination halls are switched off during operation of jammers.

In the light of the above communication received from the Central Cabinet Secretariat (securities), the BoE has discussed the matter and decided the following vide paper read as (1) above:

- 1. To contact similarly placed Universities to know the procedure being followed by those Universities in the matter of installation of mobile jammers at Theory Examination Centres**
- 2. The colleges to which sanction has already been received to install mobile jammers, shall continue to deploy them**
- 3. To strictly enforce the prohibition of mobile phones in the examination halls**

The 57th meeting of Governing Council held on 04.10.2019 has considered the matter vide its Agenda No. 57.21 and resolved to approve the decision of the Board of Examinations, with a modification that the University would facilitate the process for getting permission from office of the Secretary(security), cabinet secretariat, Govt. of India to install mobile jammers with the approved specifications and all the affiliated institutions shall install the mobile jammers at their own expenses, vide papers read as (2) above

Vide reference (3) cited above, the Honourable Vice Chancellor has accorded sanction to implement the decision of the Governing Council with respect to the decision of the Board of Examinations.

Orders are issued accordingly.

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Controller of Examinations.

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