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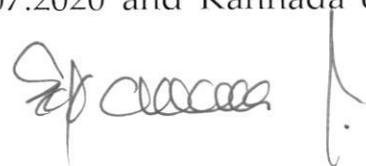
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SUBMISSION NOTE TO HON'BLE HIGH COURT OF KARNATAKA
REGARDING CONDUCT OF CET 2020

1. In the Notification published by Karnataka Examinations Authority dated **04.02.2020**, the date of examination was fixed as 22.04.2020 and 23.04.2020. On 30.03.2020 due to the country wide lockdown, it was decided that the examination scheduled on 22.04.2020 and 23.04.2020 will be postponed.
2. Vide Notification dated 07.05.2020, applications were invited one more time by KEA from candidates who wish to apply for CET 2020-08.05.2020 to 18.05.2020.
3. Vide Notification dated **13.05.2020**, Karnataka Examinations Authority announced the date of examination for CET 2020 as 30.07.2020 and 31.07.2020.
4. Further vide Notification dated 18.05.2020, to facilitate the students, provision to change the examination centres and editing of applications was also permitted wherein 75 new examination

locations were added and candidates could give three examination centres of their choice. Using this provision more than 30,000 students have changed their examination centres of their choice.

5. Due to Covid-19 pandemic situation, the number of centres have been increased from 431 in the year 2019 to 127 locations (which includes District headquarters, taluk head quarters) and 497 centres throughout the State. Also the centres for Kannada exam has been increased and extended to bordering Districts of neighbouring States which are Bijapur, Mangalore, Belgavi, Ballari, Bidar and Bengaluru. In 2019 Kannada exam for outside State students was held only in Bangalore. 1881 students are appearing for Kannada exam this year.
6. Examination was not held on the scheduled date ie, 22.04.2020 and 23.04.2020 due to country wide lockdown.
7. In the SSLC examination conducted by the Karnataka Secondary Education Examination Board from 25.06.2020 to 03.07.2020 more than 8.00 lakh students appeared for the examination and was conducted successfully throughout the State of Karnataka. Also the English examination for PU students was conducted on 18.06.2020 throughout the State successfully.
 - a. OM published by Ministry of Human Resource Department, Dept of Higher Education, GOI dated 06.07.2020 and as the UGC letter dated 08.07.2020 has revised the guidelines for examination and academic calendar for all the Universities in view of Covid-19 pandemic and have given a detailed Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) to conduct the examination. Accordingly on 10.07.2020 by means of press briefing it was announced that CET 2020 examination will be held as per schedule on 30.07.2020 and 31.07.2020 and Kannada exam on



01.08.2020.(also the timeline for holding semester/ yearly examination for final year students was also announced).

- b. In accordance with the detailed guidelines provided by Ministry of Home Affairs dated 20.05.2020 and the SOP prescribed by UGC in the letter dated 08.07.2020 and taking into consideration the SOP adopted by the Department of Primary and Secondary Education in conduct of SSLC and PU (English) exams, detailed SOP dated 18.07.2020 was formulated for CET 2020 by the Department of Health and Family Welfare Dept in which all the concerns of the students, parents of the students, staff, Invigilators and all the personnel involved in conducting the examination and also administering public health were duly examined and taken care of.
8. The Deputy Commissioners of all the Districts who have been appointed as Chief Superintendent of the examination (who are also Head of the Health Department of the District and Head of Covid-19 District Task Force) has been entrusted to ensure that all the procedures to be followed as per SOP from sanitization of the exam centres and ensuring security and safety of all the students, their parents and all who are involved in conducting the examination and public health.
9. A detailed discussion with the District administration including the District Commissioner, Superintendent of Police, District Health Officers, Transport Department and other Stake holders was done to ensure all the facilities to the students appearing for the examination.
10. It was also decided to make special arrangements for students who are Covid-19 positive and willing to appear for the CET examination, Special Covid Care Centres in Districts have been identified by the

