



UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India – 695034

(Established as University of Travancore by the Travancore University Act in 1937 and reconstituted as University of Kerala by the Kerala University Act of 1957 and presently governed by the Kerala University Act of 1974 passed by the Kerala State Legislative Assembly)

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Thiruvananthapuram

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Sub: Ensuring Food Safety in University Campuses and Affiliated Colleges – reg.

- Ref:
1. D.O No: F 1- 1/2016 (Secy) dated 21.10.2016.
 2. D.O No: 14 – 24/2016 (CPP – 11) dated 10.11.2016.
 3. Minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 23.12.2016. (Item no:23.46).
 4. Minute of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 18.03.2017(Item no:26.17.03)

It has been noted that Canteen/Mess and other food establishments located in various educational institutions have not been licensed under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006.

The Syndicate in its meeting held on 18.03.2017 resolved that all Affiliated Colleges should strictly adhere to the U.G.C. guidelines with regard to ensuring Food Safety in University Campuses and Affiliated Colleges. The following instructions are issued for strict compliance.

1. Ensure the implementation of the FSS Act, 2006 in food establishments of University and in all the Affiliated Colleges.
2. No person shall commence or carry on any food business except under a valid license.
3. If the articles of food are manufactured, stored, sold or exhibited for sale at different premises situated in more than one area, separate application shall be made and separate license shall be issued in respect of such premises not falling within the same area.
4. Junk food is to be banned in Higher Educational Institutions.
5. Training of food handlers working in the food establishments of the educational institutions is to be organized to provide safe and wholesome food to the students in consultation with FSSAI, Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, New Delhi.
6. To implement measures to sensitize the students on ill effects of junk food.
7. Orientation programs be organized and College authorities should ensure that the Canteen functioning in the College should have license.
8. A wellness club be introduced in all Colleges. Wellness clusters should be created under the Students Welfare Department where counseling should be done regarding proper nutrition, proper exercise and healthy habits. These wellness clusters can also provide psychological support to the students to prevent and reduce the incidence of obesity in young students.

The UGC guidelines and the above instructions are to be complied by all concerned.

**Sd/-
Registrar**

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