

## **NOTICE - BHARATHIAR UNIVERSITY**

Bharathiar University (Bharathiar) was established at Coimbatore by the Government of Tamil Nadu in February, 1982 under the provision of Bharathiar University Act, 1981. Bharathiar was named after the great national poet Subramania Bharathi and is enshrined with the motto "Educate to Elevate".

As per Bharathiar's website:

- The aim of Bharathiar is to participate in the task of inculcating necessary knowledge, skills, creative attitude and values among the youth of the country and to contribute more effectively towards establishing an equitable, social, economic and secular ideal of our nation. Bharathiar has an objective to help the country in achieving a higher enrolment ratio and higher literacy rate.
- The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) has awarded & re-accredited Bharathiar twice with "A" grade. The National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF), Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, has currently in their All India Rank of Universities has ranked Bharathiar at rank no. 14 (fourteen) at the all – India level and at no. 1 (one) at the State level.
- Bharathiar has 16 (sixteen) higher education schools and departments, 111 (one hundred and eleven) affiliated colleges, 308 (three hundred and eight) spot admission cum learning centres / information centres and 162 (one hundred sixty two) centres for participatory and on line programmes spread all-over India and abroad. Currently, hundreds of thousands of students are enrolled with the Bharathiar, in its' colleges and distance education courses.
- Bharathiar through their School of Distance Education Programme are having various functional centres such as: (i) Department of Education, (ii) Institute of Chartered Accountants of India (BU-ICAI) (iii) Centre for Collaboration of Industries and Institution (CCII) (iv) Centre for Online Programme (COP), (iv) Centre for Participatory Programme (CPP) and (vi) Centre for Conventional Distance Education Programme (CCDEP).

Recently, Bharathiar along with various other universities received certain restrictive orders from the UGC in relation to running of courses outside the state of their jurisdiction. These restrictive orders were challenged by Bharathiar and certain other universities before the Hon'ble High Court. The Hon'ble High Court at Madras has stayed the orders of the UGC restricting Bharathiar from admitting students for the distance education courses offered at its various centres across the country. Further, as per the order of the Hon'ble High Court at Madras, the admissions made with respect to the distance education courses with Bharathiar will be subject to the final outcome of various proceedings before the Hon'ble Madras High Court.

Bharathiar has issued various communications to UEI Global including written communications, wherein Bharathiar has informed UEI Global that Bharathiar is not restricted to its jurisdiction of centres and all courses offered under its school of distance education anywhere in the country and abroad are valid and recognized.

Bharathiar has also uploaded a circular dated 11<sup>th</sup> May 2016 on its website (accessible at [http://sde.b-u.ac.in/Downloads/EVNTCIRCULARS/383\\_high%20court.pdf](http://sde.b-u.ac.in/Downloads/EVNTCIRCULARS/383_high%20court.pdf)) wherein it is stated that pursuant to the stay granted by the Hon'ble High Court at Madras, status quo will be maintained for all admissions made by Bharathiar in respect to the distance education programmes without having any restriction on Bharathiar in conducting its courses through its study centres outside the State of Tamil Nadu.

The students are advised to visit the website of Bharathiar (<http://buc.edu.in/> and <http://sde.b-u.ac.in/>) as well as the website of the UGC <http://ugc.ac.in/>) and check the information generally available online for further clarification.