



Centre for Research and Education for Social Transformation (CREST)

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The Vice Chancellor
APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University
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Sir,

Sub: Training programme for SC/ST B.Tech Entry students

Centre for Research and Education for Social Transformation (CREST) is an autonomous institution under Government of Kerala. It started functioning as Centre of Excellence under Indian Institute of Management Kozhikode in 2002. For the past ten years the Centre has been conducting five months Post Graduate Certificate Course for Professional Development for graduates/professional degree holders from Scheduled communities to enable them to compete in the open market for job opportunities as well as for admission to institutions of higher learning in India and abroad.

As a part of our outreach programme we are conducting a one 15 day orientation programme for SC/ST candidates who have obtained admission for Engineering Degree courses during 2017-18. The programme was conceived in the context that only a very small section of SC/ST candidates who secure admission in professional colleges in Kerala successfully complete the courses during the stipulated time. CREST intends to provide 15 day training during the period July 15 to 30, 2017, to 180 candidates from the Scheduled communities who have obtained admission for Engineering Degree courses in universities in Kerala during 2017- 18. The orientation programme will cover modules on Study Skills, Communication Skills, Time Management, Interpersonal Skills and Leadership Skills. All expenses for the programme will be met by CREST.

During the past years similar programmes were successfully conducted by CREST for selected batches and we reliably learn that the students who were trained at CREST have been performing reasonably well as per their results in the B.Tech Semester examinations declared till date. As there will be only limited time span between the entrance result announcement and the commencement of Engineering classes, for an effective training to take place, it is important that we receive their contact details immediately after the release of the Entrance results. .

As such I request you to kindly instruct the principals of the affiliate colleges to make necessary arrangements so that the SC/ST students who join their colleges register for the above said training programme on the day they take admission, from the college itself. The registration link will be made available at our website (www.crest.ac.in) and the college may please be instructed to facilitate the registrations.

I solicit your kind support and co-operation

Thanking you,

Sincerely Yours

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Prof. D.D. Nampoothiri
Executive Director.