SRI VENKATESWARA UNIVERSITY, TIRUPATI

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Sub: S.V. University – Affiliated Law Colleges – AP LAWCET–2026 Admissions – Strict adherence to Bar Council of India (BCI), Government of Andhra Pradesh and University norms and conditions – Instructions issued – Reg.

Ref:

1. Bar Council of India Rules of Legal Education - 2008, as amended from time to time.
2. BCI Circular No. BCI:D:0468/2024 (LE Circular No. 06/2024), dated 20.05.2024.
3. BCI Circular No. BCI:D:841/2024 (LE Circular No. 10/2024), dated 27.07.2024.
4. BCI Circular No. BCI:D:5186/2024 (LE Circular No. 13/2024), dated 24.09.2024, and subsequent clarifications.
5. Relevant BCI directions issued during 2025 and 2026 concerning institutional approval, inspections, academic standards and student welfare.
6. AP LAWCET–2026 Convener guidelines and applicable Government orders.
7. Sri Venkateswara University statutes, regulations and orders issued from time to time.
8. Orders of the Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor's dated:31-10-2026.

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All the Principals and Managements of Law Colleges affiliated to Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati, are hereby informed that they shall strictly adhere to the rules, regulations, norms and conditions prescribed by the Bar Council of India (BCI), Government of Andhra Pradesh, AP LAWCET–2026 Convener and Sri Venkateswara University in respect of admissions, fee collection, academic activities and administration of law programmes for the academic year 2026–2027.

In this regard, the following instructions are issued for **strict compliance**:

- All affiliated Law Colleges shall admit candidates allotted under the AP LAWCET–2026 Convener Quota, including Second Phase Admissions, subject to fulfilment of the prescribed eligibility criteria, norms and conditions stipulated by the BCI, Government of Andhra Pradesh and Sri Venkateswara University. **No eligible candidate shall be denied admission arbitrarily or subjected to unauthorised conditions.**
- All candidates shall produce the original certificates and other relevant documents specified in their respective allotment orders at the time of reporting. The concerned colleges shall verify the documents and ensure compliance with the prescribed admission requirements.
- All candidates shall submit a duly signed undertaking declaring their criminal antecedents, if any, including pending FIRs, criminal proceedings, convictions or acquittals; simultaneous enrolment in other academic programmes; employment status; and commitment to comply with the prescribed attendance requirements, in accordance with applicable BCI directions and subsequent clarifications.
- All affiliated Law Colleges shall ensure compliance with the applicable BCI directions concerning criminal-background disclosure and verification. Police verification reports shall be obtained wherever specifically required under the applicable regulations or directions of the competent authority.
- The Principals shall ensure that students comply with the BCI regulations governing simultaneous enrolment in regular academic programmes and employment during legal education, subject to exceptions expressly permitted under the applicable rules.

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- All students shall maintain the minimum attendance prescribed in **BCI Rules of Legal Education,** and applicable University regulations. The colleges shall conduct classes regularly, monitor student attendance and maintain accurate and verifiable attendance records. Students falling short of the prescribed attendance requirements shall be dealt with strictly in accordance with the applicable rules.
- All affiliated Law Colleges shall ensure the **installation, proper functioning and maintenance of CCTV cameras in classrooms** in accordance with BCI directions.
- All affiliated Law Colleges shall strictly adhere to the approved academic calendar, prescribed teaching schedules and regular classroom instruction requirements. Unauthorised evening, weekend, compressed or shift-based law programmes shall not be conducted.
- All affiliated Law Colleges shall collect only the prescribed **tuition fee of ₹16,000/- per annum and University fee of ₹7,835/-**, in accordance with the AP LAWCET–2026 Convener guidelines and University regulations, respectively, subject to applicable fee concessions and reimbursement provisions.
- Where the tuition fee is indicated as **₹0/- in the official allotment order**, the concerned college shall not insist upon payment of tuition fees. Such candidates shall be required to pay only the applicable University fee, subject to the relevant Government fee-reimbursement guidelines and other binding instructions.
- **Under no circumstances shall any affiliated Law College demand or collect fees exceeding the prescribed amounts.** Collection of unauthorised additional fees, donations or other amounts under any pretext is strictly prohibited. Proper receipts shall be issued for all authorised fee collections.
- Any institution found demanding or collecting excess fees, imposing unauthorised admission conditions or arbitrarily denying admission to eligible candidates shall be viewed seriously. **Appropriate action shall be initiated against the institution concerned** in accordance with the applicable University regulations, Government orders and BCI norms.
- All affiliated Law Colleges shall maintain the academic standards and infrastructure prescribed by the BCI and Sri Venkateswara University, including adequate and properly furnished classrooms, well-equipped libraries, computer and internet facilities, functional moot court halls, legal aid facilities and other mandatory academic infrastructure.
- The Principals shall ensure the appointment of the prescribed number of qualified teaching faculty members, maintenance of applicable faculty–student ratios and regular conduct of classes, practical training, moot court exercises, internships, legal aid activities and other mandatory academic programmes in accordance with BCI and University regulations.
- All affiliated Law Colleges shall strictly comply with the applicable BCI and University regulations relating to prevention of ragging and sexual harassment, student grievance redressal, gender sensitisation, counselling, student welfare, non-discrimination, campus safety and other student-support measures. The institutions shall constitute and maintain the statutory committees and mechanisms prescribed under the applicable regulations.
- The Principals of all affiliated Law Colleges shall maintain accurate and up-to-date records relating to admissions, sanctioned intake, original certificate verification, student undertakings, biometric and other attendance records, faculty particulars, fee collection, academic activities APPAR ID creation and other statutory requirements. Such records shall be made available for verification or inspection whenever required by the University, BCI or other competent regulatory authorities.
- All affiliated Law Colleges shall extend full cooperation to inspection teams constituted by Sri Venkateswara University, BCI or other competent authorities and furnish accurate information concerning infrastructure, faculty, attendance, admissions, fee collection and academic activities.

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- **The Principals and Managements of the respective Law Colleges shall be responsible for ensuring compliance** with all applicable BCI and University regulations. Any misrepresentation or falsification of records, unauthorised admissions, manipulation of attendance, and collection of unauthorised fees or failure to maintain prescribed academic standards shall be viewed seriously and dealt with in accordance with the applicable rules.

All the Principals and Managements of affiliated Law Colleges are hereby **directed to implement the above instructions scrupulously, without any deviation**, ensuring transparency in admissions, adherence to the prescribed fee structure, maintenance of academic standards, proper functioning of CCTV and FRS attendance systems, institutional accountability and protection of students' rights.

Any violation of these instructions shall be viewed seriously, and appropriate action shall be initiated against the institution concerned in accordance with the applicable University regulations, Government orders and BCI norms.

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To,

The Principals of all Law Colleges affiliated to Sri Venkateswara University, Tirupati for Information and necessary action.

Copy to:

1. The Dean, Faculty of Law, S.V. University.
2. The Head, Department of Law, S.V. University.
3. The Secretary to the Vice-Chancellor, S.V. University.
4. The P.S. to Registrar, S.V. University.
5. The PA to Rector, S V University.