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A Circular received from the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Vigilance Section, New Delhi regarding misrepresentation by the organization 'National Educational Research & Development Programme' [NERDP] is hosted below for information.

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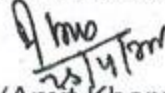
No.C.13011/98/2011-Vig.
Government of India
Ministry of Human Resource Development
(Department of Higher Education)
Vigilance Section

New Delhi, dated the 25th April, 2012

Subject : Preventive Vigilance Matter

There is an organization by the name 'National Educational Research & Development Programme (NERDP)' which claims to be an International Post-Secondary Non-Profit Statutory Education Agency in Higher Education, associated with international organizations with voting and funding rights in regard to the infrastructural development along with manpower development schemes in India. A complaint was received in the Ministry sometime past from Imperial Holding (P) Ltd., New Delhi and Summit Partners Limited, Seoul, Korea alleging that they have been cheated by NERDP as they had entered into some contract worth Rs. 80 crores with NERDP on a false understanding given to them by its Chairman that NERDP is an organization supported by UNESCO and duly recognized by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India for carrying out activities related to Higher Education in India. Taking cognizance of the complaint, Central Government had referred the matter to CBI and during investigation, it emerged that NERDP had misrepresented the facts about its recognition by the Ministry of Human Resource Development. The said organization is not recognized by Ministry of HRD or by UNESCO and has been misrepresenting about its status. The matter is presently under further investigation by Delhi Police.

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3. It has also come to notice of the Vigilance Department of the Ministry that National Educational Research & Development Programme (NERDP) has been making proposals to the various institutions, more specifically in the North Eastern Region for MOUs on education related matters misrepresenting its facts more specifically about its recognition by Ministry of HRD, which is totally untrue.
4. In the context of the foregoing, all Autonomous Institutions under the administrative jurisdiction of the Ministry and Universities are cautioned to be careful in entering into any contract with the aforesaid organization. They are advised to seek Vigilance Clearance from the Ministry in respect of any matter pertaining to the aforesaid organization which is not recognized by Ministry of Human Resource Development or by UNESCO.


(Amit Khare)

Joint Secretary & CVO

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