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## **A BRIEF NOTE ON THE PROJECT**

In the year 1982 the Karnataka University Dharwad established a Post Graduate Center to cater to the needs of higher education in Belgaum District and its surrounding areas. This Center was granted an area of 178.14 acres of land by the Government of Karnataka wide RD-62-LGL-89, dated 31-01-1990. Soon their after the Karnataka University went ahead with a comprehensive programme to construct several buildings for the PG Center. The following buildings have been constructed in the year 1992 the Karnataka University to provide infrastructure for the Center:

The details are as follows

1	Faculty-Cum Department Building	10.00 Acres
2	Boys Hostel	2.00 Acres
3	Ladies Hostel	2.00 Acres
4	Guest House	2.00 Acres
5	Quarters	20.00 Acres
6	Approach Road including Land Acquired for National Highway(NH4)	50.00 Acres
7	Play ground	20.00 Acres
8	Water Tank	1.00 Acres
9	Indoor Stadium	10.00 Acres
10	Garden	25.00 Acres
11	Open Area	26.14 Ares
	Total Area	178.14 Ares

With the above infrastructure the PG Center has existed on the granted land for the last 22 years. Since the number of colleges under the Karnataka University increased beyond manageable size the Government of Karnataka decided to bifurcate the Karnataka University into Rani Channamma University, Belgaum and Karnataka University, Dharwad. Thus Rani Channamma University was created by Government order No: SAMVYASHAE 22 SHASANA 2010, Bangalore, Dated 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2010. The newly established Rani Channamma University has jurisdiction over all the colleges (excluding Medical, Engineering, and Agricultural Colleges) in the districts of Belgaum, Bagalkot, and Bijapur. At a present there are 317 Arts , Science, Commerce, and Management colleges coming under Rani Channamma University in the three districts. There are 1,50,000 students studying under this University. At the present their 19 Post Graduate Departments and their number will steadily increase to about 45 in the coming years. Currently 150 Post Graduate Teachers and about 400 Non-teaching staff are working in the Campus of Rani Channamma University which numbers will also proportionately increase for the next few years when the new Departments will be started. The existing infrastructure of the former PG Center is just not sufficient. There is therefore an urgent need to build new buildings, play grounds, roads, gardens, and a tree park over one third of the area. Luckily, the University Grants Commissions as well as the Government of Karnataka are making available adequate funds annually for these purposes. During the year 2013-14 an amount of Rupees Thirty Crores is available for taking up new buildings. The Granted land of 178 acres has been transferred by the Karnataka University to its successor Rani Channamma University and it is under active enjoyment of the Karnataka University since 1991 and currently for last two years of the new University.

The existing Campus of Rani Channamma University spread over an area of 178 acres lies between 15.15 North Latitude and 74.31 East Longitude at a height of 170 mtrs Mean Sea Level on National Highway no 04 at a distance of 18 KM from Belgaum City. When the new University started construction of

some new buildings the local forest authorities stopped the work on the ground that the granted land is a forest land. This fact was known to the new University since it acquired the said land by succession from the Karnataka University. At any case after construction of huge buildings in the last 22 years and active enjoyment of the said land it is strange that the forest authority is now stopping for the development on it. Thus said land has been duly and legally granted by the Government of Karnataka where upon it taken possession of by the Predecessor University. It is presumed that the inter-departmental differences if any between the forest department and the revenue department should have been sorted out appropriately either before granting or soon thereafter. It is felt that stoppage of work by another department of the same Government is not only incongruous but impractical.

The proposal sent in the past by the Karnataka University for regularisation of the forest land has been returned for the some correction by the Office of the Chief Forest Conservator, Belgaum which is now being followed up by the successor Rani Channamma University. It is urged that pending processing of the matter and the final outcome the new works just started or about to be started from the funds granted by the UGC and the State Government should not be stopped.

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