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To

The Vice-Chancellors, SAUs/ ICAR-DUs/CAUs and CUs with Faculty of Agriculture Faculty

Sub: Giving wide publicity to Vidya Lakshmi Portal - regarding

Sir,

Please find enclosed herewith a letter No.17-11/2015.U.5 dated 04.12.2015 of Shri S. Shankar, Deputy Secretary, Government of India, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, New Delhi along with letter No.6(6)/2014-CP-IF-II dated 30.10.2015 of Department of Financial Services, Ministry of Finance, GoI, New Delhi and a small note on Vidya Lakshmi Portal wherein it is informed that they have released Vidya Lakshmi Portal mentioning that under this any student can apply for Education loan online through <a href="www.vidyalakshmi.co.in">www.vidyalakshmi.co.in</a> and any student can apply from his home or institution or Kiosk or Cyber Café etc. This portal is also linked with Centre for Good Governance National e-Scholarship portal <a href="www.scholarships.gov.in">www.scholarships.gov.in</a>.

You are, therefore, requested to give wide publicity to above portals and placed in the University's website for the benefit of students of your esteemed university.

Yours' faithfully,

(G. Venkateshwarlu)

Assistant Director General (EQR)

Encl. As above

## Vidya Lakshmi Portal

Subsequent to the announcement of Hon'ble Finance Minister, Vidya Lakshmi Portal has been set up from 15.08.2015. The Portal has been developed by National Securities Depository Limited (NSDL) e-Governance Infrastructure Ltd. The principal purpose of the Portal is to have facilities of education loan, scholarship & other student' friendly facilities through one link. The Portal is gateway to Banks for education loan & also has linkages with National e-Scholarship Portal (NeSP) inaugurated by the Prime Minister on 01.07.2015 as a part of Digital India initiative managed by Centre for Good Governance under DEITY. The Portal is information friendly with relevant information for students. The Portal has the facility of tracking the students right from the inception of loan application until the completion of sanction of loan or otherwise. Students can view, apply and track their education loan applications to banks anytime, anywhere by accessing the Portal. The Portal would be useful for students, parents, educational institutions, bankers, employers, researchers, etc. 26 banks have been registered so far and 52 loan schemes have been uploaded in Vidya Lakshmi Portal.