

**Vidya Academy of Science & Technology**  
Thalakkottukara, Thrissur – 680501

**ELECTION NOTIFICATION**

Dated 21/12/2021

**Sub:** Election to College Union, 2021-22 – Reg.

**Ref:** 1. Chapter 4, Para 6 of the APJ Abdul Kalam Technological University First Statutes 2020 and subsequent amendment.

2. Regulations / Election Manual approved by the 27th Meeting of the Syndicate vide item No. A-027-OA6.

The First Statutes of the University issued as per S.R.O No.480/2020 dated 07/08/2020 published on 05/08/2020 provides for the University Union and the College Union. Chapter 4 Statute 6 provides that there shall be a College Union by whatever name called in the colleges, institutions, autonomous colleges, constituent colleges and colleges granted academic autonomy which are affiliated to the University. The constitution, constitution of the College Union, College Union Executive Committee, office bearers, their powers, duties and functions, elections to the College Union and its official tenure are provided in the Statutes.

The University Union and the College Union can be constituted only after elections. Since the University Union and College Union are statutory bodies, the rules and regulations relating to the conduct of elections has been framed and approved vide reference cited (2), so as to give it statutory effect.

In compliance of the above and upon orders of the Vice Chancellor it is hereby notified under the relevant sections of the University Acts Statutes and Regulations, that an election will be held to elect the following officer bearers and members of the Executive Committee of the College Union of Vidya Academy of Science & Technology, Thrissur -680501.

**I Positions in the College Union Executive Committee to which Elections are conducted:**

Sl. No.	Name of Post	Number of seats
1	Chairperson	1
2	Vice-Chairperson*	1
3	General Secretary*	1
4	Magazine Editor*	1
5	Arts Cub Secretary	1
6	Councilors to the General Council of the University Union	2
7	Student representing each degree course	6
8	Student representing each post graduate course	4
9	Girl students representing all the girl students in the college	2

(\*As per the First Statutes of APJAKTU, the post of Vice Chairman is reserved to women students. The posts General Secretary and Magazine Editor are reserved to students other than final year students.)

**II Positions in the College Union to which elections are not conducted:**

Sl. No.	Name of Post	Number of Seats
1	One girl student belonging to Scheduled caste/ Scheduled Tribe nominated by the College Union Executive Committee (applicable only in the absence of an elected girl student belonging to Scheduled caste/Scheduled Tribe.)	1
2	Patron cum Treasurer	1
3	Staff Advisor	1
4	One student who is the Sports Secretary nominated by the College Union Executive Committee	1

**III The following is the Schedule for the election**

Sl. No.	Programme/Item	Date	Time
1	Date of Notification	21.12.2021	
2	Date of publication of Electoral Roll	22.12.2021	11.00 am
3	Last Date and hour for filing complaints regarding Electoral Roll	23.12.2021	11.00 am
4	Publication of the final Electoral Roll	23.12.2021	3.00 pm
5	Last date and hour for receipt of nomination	03.01.2022	02.00 pm
6	Scrutiny of nomination	03.01.2022	02.05 pm onwards
7	Publication of the list of valid nominations	03.01.2022	04.00 pm
8	Withdrawal of Candidature / Nomination	04.01.2022	11.00 am
9	Publication of Final list of candidates	04.01.2022	03.00 pm
10	Polling	10.01.2022	10.00 am to 01.00 pm
11	Scrutiny and counting of votes	10.01.2022	02.00 pm
12	Declaration of results	10.01.2022	within 1 hour of finishing counting of votes

Only those full-time Regular students in the KTU Portal and whose names are on the Electoral Roll are eligible to take part in the election. Requests, if any, for making any correction, alteration or deletion in the Electoral Roll, shall be submitted to the Returning Officer within the time limit fixed.

Every elector included in the electoral roll and who satisfies the eligibility criteria laid down by the Supreme Court in section "6.5 Eligibility Criteria for Candidates" in the judgment and order dated 24/06/2004 in WP No. 30845/2003 of The High Court of Kerala may nominate an elector included in the electoral roll to contest the elections to the various positions in the College Union to which elections are conducted provided he/she is otherwise eligible to contest the elections to the respective positions in accordance with these Rule and Regulations as a candidate.

Every nomination shall be in the prescribed and shall be made by the student in writing and shall be proposed and seconded by two other students included in the electoral roll. The nomination paper shall be put in sealed covers and deposited in the box kept for the purpose by the Returning Officer in his office, within the date and hour fixed for filing of nominations. Every elector who has been nominated to contest the elections shall be referred to as a 'candidate' for the elections. Any candidate who has filed a nomination may withdraw his nomination by notice in writing signed by him and delivered in person or by his/her authorized representative who shall be one included in the electoral roll, to the Returning Officer so as to be received by him within the date and hour fixed for

the same. Withdrawal once made shall be final. A candidate who has withdrawn his nomination shall not be eligible for re nomination as a candidate for the same election in that academic year.

The candidates or their agents, if any, appointed in writing and approved by the Returning Officer alone shall be permitted to be present on the occasions of scrutiny of nominations, polling and scrutiny and counting of votes. The Identity Cards shall be produced on the above occasions and while turning up for voting.

The Honourable Supreme Court of India have perused the Report of the Committee, headed by Mr. J. M. Lyngdoh, former Chief Election Commissioner, constituted by the Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India for making recommendations and suggestions relating to the Students' Union Elections in terms of the order of the Supreme Court dated 12.12.2005. The Supreme Court have accepted the recommendations as an interim measure and directed to implement the recommendations subject to such modifications indicated therein. The recommendations have been incorporated as a part of the order. The Supreme Court have also made it clear that the recommendations made, which the court have accepted to be adopted as an interim measure, shall be followed in all College/University Elections, to be held hereinafter, until further orders. The full text of the verdict of the Supreme Court is annexed herewith and forms part of this election notification. **All the recommendations made by the committee and accepted by the Supreme Court are applicable to this election. The directives of the Supreme Court shall be supplementary to the clauses contained in the Constitution for College Unions and the rules for the conduct of elections to College Unions contained therein and the same shall supersede any of the clauses that are inconsistent with it.**

As recommended by the Committee headed by Mr. J. M. Lyngdoh and accepted by the Supreme Court of India, the mode of election shall be as follows: "6.2.3. A system of elections where on one hand, directly elected class representative elect the office bearers of the college as well as the university representatives, and the campus itself directly elects the campus office bearers and the university representatives. The university representatives shall form an electoral college, which shall elect the office bearer of the university student union."

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