

L. A. BILL No. VI OF 2024.

A BILL

further to amend the Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Technological University Act, 2014.

5 **(As Passed by the Legislative Assembly on the 29th February, 2024.)**

Mah. XXIX of 2014. WHEREAS it is expedient further to amend the Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Technological University Act, 2014, for the purposes hereinafter appearing ; it is hereby enacted in the Seventy-fifth Year of the Republic of India, as follows :—

10 **1.** This Act may be called the Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Technological University (Amendment) Act, 2024. Short title.

- Amendment of section 6 of Mah. XXIX of 2014. **2.** In section 6 of the Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Technological University Act, 2014 (hereinafter referred to as “the principal Act”), after the words “level shall be English” the words “or Marathi” shall be added and shall be deemed to have been added with effect from the 20th July 2023. Mah. XXIX of 2014.
- Saving. **3.** Notwithstanding anything contained in the principal Act or any rules, Regulations, Statutes or Ordinances made thereunder or any Order issued, as the case may be, any degree course conducted in the Marathi language, shall be deemed to have been conducted in accordance with the principal Act, as amended by the Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Technological University (Amendment) Act, 2024. 5 Mah. 10 of 2024.

STATEMENT OF OBJECTS AND REASONS

Section 6 of the Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Technological University Act, 2014 (Mah. XXIX of 2014) provides that medium of instruction and examination for courses upto certificate level may be Marathi or English, while that for courses beyond certificate level shall be English.

2. The National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 emphasizes on the inclusion of Indian languages as a medium of instruction in higher education. In consonance with the National Education Policy 2020, the said university has commenced Bachelor of Technology, a degree course in Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering in Marathi language from the academic year 2023-2024 and has also conducted an examination in Marathi language.

3. Therefore, the Government, upon request of the said university, considers it necessary to amend section 6 of the said Act with a view to provide that the medium of instruction and examination for courses beyond certificate level in the said university shall be Marathi as emphasized by the National Education Policy 2020 and also to provide for necessary saving clause.

4. The Bill seeks to achieve the above objectives.

Mumbai,

Dated the 27th February, 2024.

CHANDRAKANT (DADA) PATIL,

Minister for Higher and

Technical Education.

*ANNEXURE TO THE L. A. BILL No. VI OF 2024—
THE DR. BABASAHEB AMBEDKAR TECHNOLOGICAL
UNIVERSITY (AMENDMENT) BILL, 2024.*

*(Extracts from the Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar Technological
University Act, 2014.)*

(Mah. XXIX of 2014)

1. to 5. * * * *

6. The Medium of instruction and examination for courses upto certificate level may be Marathi or English, while that for courses beyond certificate level shall be English. Medium of instruction and examination of University.

7. to 111. * * * *

SCHEDULES. * * * *

**MAHARASHTRA LEGISLATURE
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