Particulars of organization, functions and duties:

1. Name of the Organisation: Karunya University
   (Karunya Institute of Technology and Sciences)

2. Address of the Organisation: Karunya Nagar, Coimbatore, Tamilnadu, Pin: 641 114
3. Website: www.karunya.edu
4. Email: registrar@karunya.edu
5. Phone Number: +91-422-2614300, Fax Number: +91-422-2615615
6. Type of University: Karunya Institute of Technology and Sciences has been conferred
   the status of Deemed-to-be University w.e.f. 23rd June 2004 by the Central Government
   on the advice of the University Grants Commission under section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956

7. Acts of the organisation: UGC norms & rules and Memorandum of Association as laid
   down by the of Karunya University Trust.

8. Names of the officers:
   1. Chancellor               Dr. Paul Dinakaran
   2. Vice Chancellor          Dr. S. Sundar Manoharan
   3. Pro-Vice Chancellor      Dr. Savajeet Herbert
   4. Registrar               Dr. C. Joseph Kennady
   5. Finance Officer          Mr. A. Joseph Amal Raj
   6. Controller of Examinations Dr. Hepzibah Christinal
   7. Such other officers, as may be declared by the University, by the statutes to
   be the Officers of Karunya University.

9. Inception:
   The Government of Tamil Nadu took a major policy decision to invite and encourage
   private participation in Higher Education in the State and approve self-financing private
   colleges without any financial commitment to the State Government with effect from 1984-
   85. As per the said policy and subject to the conditions laid down by the Government, the
   Karunya Institute of Technology was established in October 1986 at Siruvani, Coimbatore
District, Tamil Nadu, by Karunya Educational Trust, promoted by Dr. D.G.S. Dhinakaran and Dr. Paul Dhinakaran, with a divine vision and cherished desire to serve the cause of humanity through education and social service.

10. The Memorandum and Articles of Trust
The Memorandum of Trust and Articles of Trust of Karunya University, a Minority Educational Institution, which serves as the constitution of the University has been revised. This revision has been necessary since the Karunya Institute of Technology and Sciences (KITS) attained the Deemed-to be University status on 23rd June 2004. The new constitution is in line with the Deemed University notification No. F.9-3/2000-U.3, dated 23rd June 2004, and University notification No. F.6-1(II)/2006 (CPP-I), dated 13th September 2006. As per this, the UGC has empowered Karunya University to design and start its own programmes in line with its overall objectives provided the norms of various regulatory agencies like the AICTE, NCTE etc. are adhered to. The revision has also been necessary in the light of the model University Act of the UGC for 21st Century Universities. Amendments have been made in the Memorandum of Trust and Articles of Trust to enable the University to discharge its power and functions to achieve its vision and mission by:

1. Facilitating Creation, Preservation and Dissemination of knowledge and attainment of excellence in different disciplines.
2. Promoting smooth transition from the earlier teacher-centric focus to the required learner-centric educational processes and activities.
3. Enabling performance of functions of interest to the university’s major constituents like faculty, staff, students and society.
4. Developing a sense of ethos in the University community, making it conscious of its obligations to the society and the nation.
5. Accepting the challenges of globalization to offer high quality education and other services in a competitive manner.
6. Giving the system freedom to respond to the following:
   a. Introducing democratization in the working of the University and making it well suited to its functions/tasks;
   b. Insulating the university from interference by agencies outside the University system;
   c. Developing a system of working based on responsibility and accountability.
7. Facilitating the University to be flexible and responsive to rapid changes taking place in society;
8. Making provision for a legal frame work for the University to function smoothly;
9. Creating an ambience for it to earn the general confidence and respect of society at large.

The Board of Management considered the proposals for modifications and additions in the Memorandum of Trust and Articles of Trust and passed the appended draft which has been since approved by the Board of Trustees for operation from 8th September 2007.

11. The Minority Status

The Institute has been declared as a Christian Minority Institution; within the meaning of Clause 1 of Article (30) in the Constitution of India, vide their GO MS.No.616 dated 28.7.1995 and annually by subsequent communications from the Department of Higher Education, Govt. of Tamil Nadu.

Also, the Institute has been certified as a Minority Institution, by the National Commission for Minorities, New Delhi, vide their letter dated 11.9.1993. The Honorable High Court of Madras has confirmed that "Karunya Institute of Technology, Coimbatore, run by the Karunya Educational Trust is a Christian Minority Educational Institution" vide their Judgement dated 21.1.1994 in S.A.No.257 of 1993.

The Institute started functioning from the academic year 1986-87 by offering the following three degree courses with an intake of 60 students in each with the approval of the State Government and the affiliation from Bharathiar University, Coimbatore:

1. B.E. Civil Engineering
2. B.E. Mechanical Engineering
3. B.E. Electronics and Communication Engineering

The Institute has registered continuous growth in terms of number of courses and overall performance and reached the status of an autonomous institute, offering PG and Ph.D. programmes.

12. The composition of the governing committee/ Management of the University
The names and addresses and occupations of the first members of the Governing Body to whom the management of the University is entrusted by the holding Trustees, until the various authorities in accordance with the rules are constituted are given below:

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The above members shall decide the Authority and bodies of the University under whom the various functions of the management of the affairs of the University shall lie.

13. Academic Growth


1994  B.E. Electrical and Electronics Engineering and B.E. Computer Science and Engineering started.

Master of Business Administration (MBA) started.

1995  B.E. Electronics and Instrumentation started.

Master of Computer Applications (MCA) started.

1996  B.E. Production Engineering started.

1997  M.E. Structural Engineering and M.E. Thermal Engineering started. (two courses)
1998 **Permanent Affiliation** received for B.E.(Civil), B.E. (Mechanical) and B.E. (Electronics and Communication) courses from Bharathiar University. UGC approval under Section 2 (f) and 12 (b) of the UGC Act, 1956, accorded for the purpose of receiving direct central assistance.

1999 B.E. Information Technology started.

M. Sc. Software Engineering (five year integrated) started.

The Institute received recognition for conducting Ph.D. programmes in Civil Engineering, Mechanical Engineering and Management Sciences Departments. Eight faculty members of these departments and two faculty members of from Electrical and Chemical Sciences have been approved to guide scholars for Ph.D. and M.Phil degrees in their respective fields.

The Institute has been granted **Autonomous status** by Bharathiar University.

2000 **Permanent Affiliation** received for B.E.(Electrical), B.E. (Computer Science) and MBA from Bharathiar University

2001 The National Board of Accreditation has accredited ME Thermal Engineering, ME Structural Engineering, MCA, BE Electronics & Instrumentation and BE Computer Science & Engineering courses.

2002 Three ME programs viz. ME Power Electronics & Drives, ME CAD-CAM and ME Computer Science and Engineering courses were started.

2003 M.E Control & Instrumentation started

NAAC accredited and awarded "A" grade for 5 years.

The Institute has won the "**Award for Excellence for the year 1994-'95**" in the category of Best Engineering College adjudged by the Institute of International Educational Service, Chennai (presented by the then Honourable Union Minister for Human Resource Development, Government of India).
In 1999-2000, five degree courses (4 UG and 1 PG) were accredited by the National Board of Accreditation (NBA) with Grade 'A' for three courses and Grade 'B' for 2 courses.

Having gained the **Autonomous Status** in 1999 from Bharathiar University, which is a significant achievement and the next stage of development for any institution of higher education being the attainment of Deemed University Status, the Karunya Institute of Technology and Sciences submitted its proposal to the Ministry of Human Resource Development in March 1999.

**2004** The National Board of Accreditation accredited MBA and BE Civil Engineering course.


**14. Vision:**

- True to its name Karunya which means 'Compassion', Karunya University shall be a University with a social concern which will address the problems of humanity through teaching, research and extension in socially relevant areas.

- The students and faculty of Karunya University will be imbued with spiritual discernment and a zeal to serve humanity and to eventually become leaders of society.

**15. Mission:**

- To accomplish the vision, Karunya University - a Christian Minority Institution will be committed to transform lives through the following objectives:

  - To raise undergraduate and post graduate students and research scholars to serve humanity by attaining high levels of academic excellence, professional competence, exemplary values and spiritual empowerment.

  - To find solutions to human problems in areas relating to Water, Food, Health Care and Energy through scientific, social and technological research as well as policy formulation.
To set up care homes for physically and mentally challenged as well as the elderly and the terminally ill to enable the students to understand the human needs and pain, by participating in the services rendered to them on campus and thus to dedicate themselves to work towards solving those problems through research, development, policy making at high levels or through providing spiritual care.

16. Academic programmes in line with institution’s mission:

To raise undergraduate and post graduate students and research scholars to serve humanity by attaining high levels of academic excellence, professional competence, exemplary values and spiritual empowerment.

B. Tech.

- Civil Engineering
- Computer Science and Engineering
- Electronics & Communication Engineering
- Electrical & Electronics Engineering
- Electronics & Instrumentation Engineering
- Electronics & Media Technology
- Information Technology
- Mechanical Engineering
- Aerospace Engineering

M. Tech.

- Applied Electronics
- Communication Systems
- Computer and Communication Engineering
- Computer Science and Engineering
- Control and Instrumentation Engineering
- Embedded Systems
- Mechanical Engineering
- Multimedia Technology
- Network and Internet Engineering
- Power Electronics and Drives
- Software Engineering
- Structural Engineering
• VLSI Design

**P.G. Diploma**
- P.G. Diploma in Advanced Manufacturing Technologies (PGDAMT) in collaboration with Central Manufacturing Technological Institute (CMTI), Bangalore.

**M.Sc.**
- Network Technology
- Nanoscience & Technology (integrated)

**M.C.A. (Master of Computer Applications)**
- M.A. – English
- M.Sc. – Chemistry
- M.Sc. – Physics
- M.Sc. – Mathematics
- M.Sc. – Visual Communication – Animation & Multimedia Integrated
- M.B.A. (Master of Business Administration)
- M.B.A. (Logistics & Shipping Management) in collaboration with Indian Institute of Logistics Society, (IILS), Chennai

**M.Phil. (Full time/ Part time) (for Arts & Sciences)**
- Offered by 7 departments. Each department has 3 or 4 specializations

**Ph.D. (Full time/ Part time)**
- (Offered by 19 departments. Each department has 3 or 4 specializations)

❖ To find solutions to human problems in areas relating to Water, Food, Health Care and Energy through scientific, social and technological research as well as policy formulation, the following programmes are offered.

**B.Tech.**
- Food Processing Engineering
- Bioinformatics
- Biotechnology
M.Tech.
- Food Processing Engineering
- Bioinformatics
- Biomedical Engineering
- Biotechnology
- Integrated Water Resource Management
- Renewable Energy
- Nanotechnology

M.Sc.
- Medical Biochemistry

M.Phil/Ph.D
- Food Processing Engineering
- Bioinformatics
- Biomedical Engineering
- Biotechnology
- Nanotechnology

❖ To set up care homes for physically and mentally challenged as well as the elderly and the terminally ill to enable the students to understand the human needs and pain, by participating in the services rendered to them on campus and thus to dedicate themselves to work towards solving those problems through research, development, policy making at high levels or through providing spiritual care.

❖ Value education is a part of curriculum of all programmes. Through value education, an understanding of life in all its complexities is given and practical opportunities are provided to mould students to meet the needs of the people. The capacity of the student is sharpened to enable them to make right moral and ethical choices. Professionals with social concern reaching out to the nation as leaders and serving the needy with divine grace and power are developed.

❖ Care homes are built by KITS. Students are provided opportunities to understand sufferings through National Social Service (NSS) and activities by the department of extension and continuing education (DECE).
• Students are given opportunities to donate tricycles, motorized tricycles and other aids for differently-abled persons.

• Project works are carried out by students through their half semester / full semester projects to develop products to help medical professionals to treat people with medical problems.

• Ph.D research work is undertaken for developing robots for cardio-pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) for people who suffer from cardiac arrest. Research work is undertaken for improving the design of a motorized wheel chair to suit Indian conditions.

17. Authorities of the University:
   1. Board of Trustees
   2. Board of Management
   3. Other Authorities/Committees:

   The following shall be the other authorities/committees of Karunya University:

   A. Academic Council
   B. Planning & Monitoring Board
   C. Finance Committee
   D. Board of Studies
   E. Board of Research & Consultancy
   F. Board of Evaluation
   G. Board of Quality Assurance (IQAC)
   H. Selection Committee
   I. Board of Extension & Continuing Education
   J. Grievance Redressal Committee
   K. Board of Publications
   L. Such other authorities as may be declared by the Rules to be authorities of the institution deemed to be university
18. Organisational chart:

19. Karunya University location Map:
20. **Powers and Functions of the University:**

a. To establish courses of study and research and to provide instruction and training in such branches of study as the University deems appropriate for the advancement of learning and dissemination of knowledge in such branches;

b. To confer degrees and to grant diplomas and /or certificates to persons who have satisfactorily completed the approved courses of study and/or research, as may be prescribed and shall have passed the prescribed examinations;

c. To institute and award visitorship, fellowship, prizes and medals;

d. To have greater interface with society and to have freedom to enlarge and enrich its programmes;

e. To promote the cause of higher education by reaching out to socially, economically and physically disadvantaged;

f. To start schools and centres of excellence, departments, virtual educational portals and institutions in engineering technology, medicine, natural and applied sciences and arts, media, performing arts and in other faculties, based on the social and industrial needs, as per norms of the statutory bodies like the UGC, AICTE, MCI, BCI, ICAR and other related statutory agencies.

g. To introduce programmes of research and training in identified areas of national priorities in global context from time to time;

h. To set up special institutes such as community colleges and rural institutes etc. and offer need-based courses to the benefit of the community at large, as per the norms of the Govt. of India, UGC, AICTE and related statutory agencies.

i. To establish linkages with industry, business and service sectors and participate in industrial, business and service activities for enhancement of the objectives of the Trust;

j. To undertake consultancy and testing service for augmenting its resources, based on its areas of expertise and facilities, to be made available to various types of users, like industries, companies and other institutions in India / abroad.

k. To provide lifelong learning opportunities, making use of e-education and other initiatives for its students, alumni and local communities, offered individually or in partnership with other Universities, social, professional and developmental organisations.
l. To facilitate creation and preparation of educational / research material in conventional mode (learning materials / text / reference books, journals) and in electronic (courseware, journals) forms, like: (i) audio / video tapes / cassettes for physical delivery and for broadcast uses (ii) Multimedia CDs for physical delivery and intranet / internet uses.

m. To Undertake other important academic functions such as
   i. Establishing networked learning centres at identified locations,
   ii. Entering into MoUs with Universities, Industries and Research Institutions for joint programmes.
   iii. Encouraging partnership / consortia with other Institutions for mutual benefit.
   iv. Enabling inter-institutional students' mobility by mutual credit transfer.

n. Promote filing of patents on innovative work done at the University.

o. Promote quality monitoring / assurance for the maintenance of quality, standard and relevance of academic / research programmes and other activities by following the practices recommended by NAAC with a view to increasing national, international image, visibility and competitiveness of the schools / departments.

p. Undertake financial & physical resources, generation / mobilization from various sources, like Central / State Governments, non-governmental organisations, International funding agencies and philanthropists.
   i. Evolving & pursuing innovative and strategic methods;
   ii. Offering developmental & educational services for a wide range of clients;
   iii. Setting up a company / registered society for revenue generation activities.
   iv. Forming consortia with other institutions;
   v. Associating / collaborating with the private sectors.

q. To exercise all other powers and carryout all other functions to fulfill its objectives.

21. Details regarding the Grievance Redressal Mechanism:

Karunya University has a Grievance Redressal Cell (GRC), in order to ensure transparency in the process of Teaching Learning and with paramount objective of preventing unfair practices and to provide an easy mechanism to its stakeholders for redressal of their grievances. The functions of the GRC are to look into the grievances/formal complaints lodged by the stakeholders, and judge its merits, and overseeing the redressal process.
Anyone with a genuine grievance may approach the Grievance Redressal Committee members in person in consultation with the officer in-charge, Grievance Redressal Cell. In case the person is unwilling to appear in self, Grievances may also be posted in Drop Box of Grievance Redressal Cell.

Policy document of Grievance Redressal Mechanism is made available on the home page of Karunya University website: www.karunya.edu