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F.No.: 111-1/2017 (DEB-IV)

Date: November, 2018

The Registrar,  
Yashwant Rao Chavan Maharashtra Open University  
Dnyangangotri, Near Gangapur Dam,  
Nashik-422222,  
Maharashtra

**Sub: Commission decision on the HEI's representation submitted for review of programmes found deficient, for recognition for 2018-19 onwards to be offered in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode - regarding.**

Sir/Madam,

This is in continuation to the UGC letter No. F.No. **111-1/2017 (DEB-IV)** dated 14.08.2018, wherein the details of programmes recognised for 2018-19 onwards and programmes found deficient along with deficiencies and other relevant information/conditions were communicated to **Yashwant Rao Chavan Maharashtra Open University**.

2. As per the provision at clause 4 (i) of sub-regulation (3) of Part- II of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and the decision of the Commission in its 534<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 2018, for the programmes found deficient as per the UGC letter cited in above para, the Higher Educational Institution had been provided an opportunity to submit representation along with documentary evidence, if any, within 30 days from the date of the said UGC letter.

3. The representation along with documentary evidence submitted by the **Yashwant Rao Chavan Maharashtra Open University** on **04<sup>th</sup> September, 2018** for review and the justifications given by the HEI representatives during the hearing, were considered by the duly constituted Expert Review Committee in the meeting held on **19<sup>th</sup> September, 2018** at UGC, 35 Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi. The Expert Review Committee based on the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments; made recommendations for consideration of the Commission.

4. Based on the decision of the Commission in its 535<sup>th</sup> Meeting dated 27<sup>th</sup> September, 2018, I am directed to issue this Order, thereby communicating the Commission decision, on the representation received, for programme wise recognition status of the programmes to be offered in Open and Distance Learning mode from academic year 2018-19 onwards by the **Yashwant Rao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, in addition to programmes already recognized vide letter mentioned in Para 1 above**, as detailed in point no. 5 below.

5. Programme wise recognition status based on representation:

**5(A) Programmes Recognised**

S. No.	Name of the Programme	Period of Recognition*
1	MASTER OF LIBRARY INFORMATION SCIENCE	2018-19 to 2022-23
2	BACHELOR ARTS (MASS COMMUNICATION)	

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	AND JOURNALISM)	2018-19 to 2022-23
3	BACHELOR OF LIBRARY INFORMATION SCIENCE	
4	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (MEDIA GRAPHICS AND ANIMATION)	
5	BACHELOR OF COMMERCE	
6	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (PHYSICS)	
7	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (CHEMISTRY)	
8	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (MATHS)	
9	MASTER OF ARTS (ENGLISH)	
10	MASTER OF SCIENCE (ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE)	
11	BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (AVIATION, HOSPITALITY AND TRAVEL AND TOURISM MANAGEMENT)	
12	BACHELOR OF EDUCATION	
13	BACHELOR OF SPECIAL EDUCATION	
14	MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATION	
15	MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION	

\*According to UGC (ODL) Regulations 2017, Regulations 3, sub-regulation (1) (VIII) shall not be applicable to Open Universities till the time they become eligible for National Assessment and Accreditation Council Accreditation and it shall be mandatory for Open Universities to get National Assessment and Accreditation Council Accreditation within one year of their becoming eligible for the same.

**5(B) Programmes Not Recognised**

S. No.	Name of the Programme	Reasons
1	MASTER OF ARTS YOGA AND NATUROPATHY	1. Deficiencies not complied 2. Inadequate Faculty
2	BACHELOR OF ARTS (YOGA AND NATUROPATHY)	
3	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (FASHION DESIGN)	
4	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HOSPITALITY AND TOURISM STUDIES)	
5	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HOSPITALITY STUDIES AND CATERING SERVICES)	
6	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (INTERIOR DESIGN)	
7	BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (BUSINESS PROCESS MANAGEMENT)	
8	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (ACTUARIAL SCIENCE)	
9	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (LABORATORY TECHNIQUES)	
10	MASTER OF SCIENCE (ACTUARIAL SCIENCE)	
11	BACHELOR OF ARTS (CONSUMER SERVICE)	
12	BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK	
13	MASTER OF ARTS (EDUCATIONAL COMMUNICATION)	
14	MASTER OF ARTS (HINDI)	
15	MASTER OF ARTS (MARATHI)	
16	MASTER OF ARTS (COMMUNICATION)	
17	MASTER OF ARTS (ECONOMICS)	
18	MASTER OF ARTS (POLITICAL SCIENCE)	
19	MASTER OF ARTS (PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION)	
20	MASTER OF ARTS (HISTORY)	
21	MASTER OF ARTS (SOCIOLOGY)	

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22	MASTER OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS)	1. Deficiencies not complied 2. Inadequate Faculty
23	MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK	
24	MASTER OF SCIENCE (COMMUNICATION)	

6. For the programmes recognised in 5(A) above, the Higher Educational Institution shall scrupulously abide in letter and spirit by all the terms and conditions, while offering the programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode, as per the provisions detailed in Part-III, Part-IV, Part-V, Part-VI and Annexure-I to Annexure-XI of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments. Some specific conditions as per UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 & its amendments are given in **Annexure-1**.

7. For the programmes not recognised in 5(B) above, the Higher Educational Institution may prefer an appeal to the Commission, if any, along with fee of Rupees ten thousand per programme in the form of demand draft drawn in favour of Secretary, UGC, within 30 days from the date of this order, as per the provision of sub-regulation (5) of Part- II of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and decision of the Commission in its 534<sup>th</sup> Meeting dated 02.08.2018.

8. If the HEI fails to comply with the conditions of recognition or if it is found conducting affairs in a manner that leads to deterioration of academic standards, or if any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the HEI is found to be false or fake at a later date, UGC shall take action as per Regulation (4) Part -II of UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017.

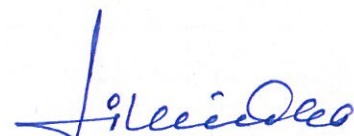
Yours faithfully,

  
(Jitendra)  
Education Officer

**Copy to:**

1. The Secretary, Higher Education, Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Annexe Building, Mumbai, Maharashtra - 400032 with a request to ensure that HEI adheres to all the provisions of the UGC(ODL) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments.
2. The Joint Secretary (Distance Learning), MHRD, Govt of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110 001.
3. The Member Secretary, AICTE, Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070 **with a copy of the affidavit submitted by the HEI as per AICTE Letter No. AICTE/P&AP/ODL/2108 dated 28/08/2018.**
4. The Member Secretary, National Council for Teacher Education, Hans Bhawan, New Delhi.
5. The Secretary, Rehabilitation Council of India, B -22, Qutab Institutional Area, New Delhi - 110016
6. The Vice-Chancellor, **Yashwant Rao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Dnyangangotri, Near Gangapur Dam, Nashik-422222, Maharashtra**
7. The Joint Secretary, State University Bureau, UGC.
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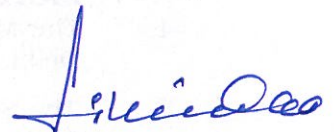


  
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**Conditions**

- 1 The total intake capacity (Number of learners) in Open and Distance Learning mode in Higher Educational Institution and/or Learner Support Centre/Study Centre shall be as mentioned in clause 6 of Annexure-X of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and subsequent amendment.
- 2 The Higher Educational Institution shall offer only those programmes through Open and Distance Learning mode, which are approved by the statutory bodies of the University and by UGC and by the Regulatory Authority, as applicable.
- 3 The Higher Educational Institution shall not offer any programme in engineering, Medicine, dental, pharmacy, nursing, architecture, physiotherapy and programmes not permitted to be offered in distance mode by any other regulatory body.
- 4 The Higher Educational Institution shall comply to all the terms and conditions mentioned in (1) Affidavit dated 26<sup>th</sup> April, 2018 duly notarized and signed by Dr. Dinesh F Kamble, Registrar, submitted to the Commission vide letter dated 06<sup>th</sup> July, 2018 ; and (2) Affidavit dated 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 pertaining to adherence of terms of conditions laid down by AICTE for programmes of MBA/MCA/Travel and Tourism, duly notarized and signed by Dr. Dinesh F Kamble, Registrar, submitted to the Commission vide letter dated 04<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 .
- 5 The Higher Educational Institution shall not offer any M.Phil/Ph.D Programme through distance learning mode in compliance to clause 11 of the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil. /Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations, 2016.
- 6 The HEI shall establish Examination Centre within the territorial jurisdiction of the HEI subject to condition laid down in clause 7 (i) to (v) of section 13 in Part-IV.
- 7 In case, Higher Educational Institution fails to comply with the conditions of recognition, appropriate punitive action(s), as per provisions of the UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments, shall be taken by the Commission.
- 8 The Yashwant Rao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Maharashtra shall adhere to the policy of territorial jurisdiction as specified in Annexure-IV of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.

**(Jitendra)**

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