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The Registrar, Amity University. Sector-125, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Noida-201313 Uttar Pradesh.

Subject:- Commission order on the application submitted Online by the Higher Educational Institution for the programmes to be offered in online mode from 2019-20 (academic session beginning January 2020) onwards-reg.

Ref:

Online Registration Id- HEI-U-0497.

Sir,

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 26 read with clause (j) of Section 12 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956), the University Grants Commission (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018, had been notified in the Gazette of India on 04.07.2018.

- 2. The Eligibility Criteria for Higher Educational Institutions is enumerated under Regulation 4 of the University Grants Commission (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018. The Regulation 5 describes the process of applications for the Online Courses or Programmes; Regulations 6 describes the approval process, whereas Regulations 11 and 12 describe the process of withdrawal of Recognition and provisions of right to appeal by the Higher Educational Institutions aggrieved with the order of the Commission.
- 3. In accordance with these Regulations, the Commission had invited online applications from the eligible Higher Educational Institutions for offering Online Courses or Programmes from the academic session 2019-20, with the last date for submitting online applications on the UGC portal up to 15.04.2019. The last date for submitting duly certified hard copies was 22.04.2019. The **Amity University, Noida, Uttar Pradesh** had submitted its application for recognition of the Online Courses or Programmes.
- 4. Application received from **Amity University**, **Noida**, **Uttar Pradesh** had been scrutinized by the Screening Expert Committee and deficiency(s) or defect(s) in application were communicated to HEI as per the University Grants Commission (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018 to remove or rectify such deficiency(s) or defect(s) with relevant documentary evidence.
- 5. As the HEI had proposed a learning platform other than SWAYAM, it was invited for an Interface Meeting with the duly constituted Technical Expert Committee on 13.05.2019. Based on the recommendations of the Technical Expert Committee and approval of the Competent Authority, the learning platform of the HEI was approved and same was conveyed to the HEI.
- 6. The **Amity University, Noida, Uttar Pradesh** was invited for an Interface Meeting with the Expert Committee; constituted by the Chairman, UGC on 19th August, 2019 in the UGC (DEB) office at 35 Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi-110 001 to further assess the application of HEI as per UGC(Online courses or programmes) Regulations, 2018. Based on the recommendation of Interface Expert Committee and its approval by Competent Authority, the Interface Expert

Committee visited Amity University on 09.09.2019 to verify the readiness/preparedness of the econtent in 4 quadrants, availability of e-contents on the 'Learning Platform' for the proposed courses / programmes and also the facilities including for Proctored Examination, as per UGC(Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018.

- 7. The Interface Expert Committee, based on the submitted application, compliance to deficiency(ies) or defect(s)communicated earlier, the presentation made by the Higher Educational Institution in the Interface Meeting, visit to HEI and and as per the provisions of University Grants Commission (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018, made recommendations for the consideration of Competent Authority.
- 8. Based on the recommendation of Interface Expert Committee and its approval by Competent Authority, I am directed to issue this Order, thereby communicating the programme wise recognition status of the programmes to be offered in Online Courses or Programmes from 2019-20 (academic session beginning January 2020) onwards by the Amity University, Uttar Pradesh; as detailed in point no 9 below.

9. Online Courses or Programmes wise recognition status

9 (A) Online Courses or Programmes Recommended

S. No.	Name of the Online Courses or Programmes	Period of Recognition (If applicable)
1.	BACHELOR OF ARTS (TOURISM	
	ADMINISTRATION)	
2.	BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION	
3.	BACHELOR OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS	
4.	BACHELOR OF ARTS (JOURNALISM AND	
	MASS COMMINICATION)	
5.	BACHELOR OF COMMERCE	,
6.	BACHELOR OF ARTS	
7.	MASTER OF COMMERCE (FINANCIAL	
	MANAGEMENT)	
8.	MASTER OF ARTS (JOURNALISM AND MASS	2 years from the academic session
	COMMUNICATION)	beginning in January, 2020 upto
9.	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN MARKETING	2020-21.
	AND SALES MANAGEMENT	
10	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN FINANCE AND	
	ACCOUNTING	
11.	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN HUMAN	
	RESOURCE MANAGEMENT	
12	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN JOURNALISM	
	AND MASS COMMUNICATION	
13.	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN LOGISTICS	
	AND SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT	
14	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN NGO	
	MANAGEMENT	
15	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN RETAIL	
	MANAGEMENT	
16.	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN	
	INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS	
17.	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN ADVERTISING	
	AND BRAND MANAGEMENT	
18	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN PUBLIC	
	ACCOUNTING	
19	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN TRAVEL AND	
	TOURISM MANAGEMENT	
20	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN DIGITAL	
	MARKETING STRATEGIES	

21	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN BUSINESS
	ANALYTICS AND INTELLIGENCE
22	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN BUSINESS
	MANAGEMENT

9 (B) Online Courses or Programmes Not Recommended

S. No.	Name of the Online Courses or Programmes	Reason(s) for refusal
1	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN MATERIAL MANAGEMENT	Specific requirements in respect of core competences and preparations of online material are not sufficient
2	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN OPERATION MANAGEMENT	Preparation in respect of the resource material is not there hence not approved
3	POST GRADUAGE DIPLOMA IN CLINICAL NUTRITION	Area of the PG Diploma is practical based. Moreover, faculty is not properly prepared and the plan is to coordinate with Apollo Hospital.
4	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN BLOCKCHAIN TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT#	Module wise content has not been developed in quadrant form.
5	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN MACHINE LEARNING AND ARTIFICAL INTELLIGENCE#	Module wise content is not yet developed in proper format as required with quadrants.
6	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN DATA SCIENCE	Module/quadrant wise material is not ready.
7	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN HOSPITAL AND HEALTHCARE MANAGEMENT	Such programme needs practical component pertaining to allied discipline of health science

#Also, non submission of prior approval of respective Regulatory Authority for the academic session 2019-20 and onwards as per clause (xi) of Sub-Regulation 3 in Regulation 7 of UGC (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018.

9 (C) Online Courses or Programmes under Consideration

S. No.	Name of the Online Courses or Programmes	Remarks
1	MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION	The status of recognition will be communicated by UGC in
2	MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATION	consultation with AICTE before the start of Academic Session January
3	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY)	2020.
4	MASTER OF SCIENCE (INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY)*	
5	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY	

^{*}Subject to confirmation by the HEI that the programme is offered in regular mode (classroom teaching) or in Open and Distance Learning mode and from which at least one batch has been passed out.

10. For the Online Courses or Programmes not recognized, as at table 9(B) above the Higher Educational Institution may prefer an appeal to the Commission, if any, within 30 days from the date of this order, as per the provision of Regulation 12 of the University Grants Commission (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018.

- 11. As stipulated under Sub-Regulation 3 of Regulations 6 of the University Grants Commission (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018 "No Higher Educational Institution shall offer any Online Courses or Programmes and admit students thereto unless it has been granted recognition by the Commission and admission shall not be made in anticipation of the approval".
- 12. The HEI shall comply with all the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018 in letter and spirit. Some specific provisions for compliance have been mentioned in **Annexure-1**.
- 13. 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 (11) of UGC (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Avichal Kapur)
Joint Secretary

Copy to:

- 1. The Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Government of Uttar Pradesh, Lucknow-226001 with a request to ensure that HEI adheres to all he provisions of the UGC (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018.
- 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 -110 070
- 4. The Vice-Chancellor, Amity University, Sector-125, Gautam Buddha Nagar, Noida-201313 Uttar Pradesh.
- 5. The Joint Secretary, CPP (PU) Bureau, UGC for information.
- 6. The Publication Officer (Web), UGC for uploading on the website.

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Specific Provisions for Compliance

- 1. The Higher Educational Institution shall offer Online Course or Programme in only those disciplines in which it has already been offering the same or similar or Programme in regular mode (of classroom teaching) or in Open and Distance Learning mode and from which at least one batch has been passed out.
- 2. The Higher Educational Institution shall not offer any courses or programme in engineering, law, medicine, dental, pharmacy, nursing, architecture, physiotherapy, applied arts and such other courses or programmes not permitted to be offered through online or open and distance learning mode by any other statutory or regulatory body or council.
- 3. The content and the designing and developing of courses of the Course or programme shall have to be developed by the in house faculty as stipulated in item (i) of sub-regulation(4) of regulation.
- 4. The Higher Educational Institution shall ensure the compliance of entry level qualification, mode of admission, duration of programme(minimum & maximum) and number of credits as per UGC notification on specification of degrees, UGC (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018 and other instructions/notices issued by UGC and other statutory/regulatory bodies from time to time.
- 5. The Higher Educational Institution shall adhere to the norms and standards of AICTE to offer programmes of MBA, MCA, Travel and Tourism in online mode.
- 6. The Higher Educational Institution shall comply all the terms and conditions in letter and spirit as stipulated under UGC (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018 and norms issued by the statutory bodies from time to time.
- 7. The Higher Educational Institution shall scrupulously abide by all the terms and conditions of faculty and staff requirements for offering online courses or programmes as mentioned in Annexure 1 of UGC (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018.
- 8. The Higher Educational Institution shall also scrupulously abide by all the terms and conditions for the operation of the Online Courses and Programmes as mentioned in Regulation 7 of (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018.
- 9. The Higher Educational Institution shall ensure that all the information given by the University in the proposal and documents submitted during various interactions to UGC are complete, true and correct.
- 10. The Higher Educational Institution shall make e-material available in 4 quadrants for each of the courses of recognized courses or programmes on its learning platform, well before the start of the immediate next academic session.
- 11. That Higher Educational Institution is fully aware of the consequences, if the University fails to abide by UGC (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018.
- 12. The Higher Educational Institution is fully aware that in case any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the University is found to be false and/or fake at a later stage or in case of any violation, UGC may take punitive measures mentioned in UGC (Online Courses or Programmes) Regulations, 2018. The deponent is also fully aware that, it is / will be the sole responsibility of the University for career consequence of the students, if any, arising out of the same.

(Dr. Avichal Kapur)
Joint Secretary

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