

F.No.12-3/2016 (DEB-111)

July, 2016

The Registrar/ Director

As per list

Sub: Continuation of Recognition to Universities/Institution for offering programmes through Open and Distance Learning mode from the academic year 2016-17.

Sir/Madam,

As per Gazette Notification issued by the Govt. of India, Ministry of Human Resource Development vide No. 6-1/2013 dated 10.06.2015 (published in Gazette on dated 25.07.2015), all the degrees/ diplomas/ certificates awarded through distance mode will be recognized for the purpose of employment Under Central Government, provided they have been approved by the University Grants Commission.

The Universities / institutions which could not apply during the first phase of interface meeting are invited to submit proposal for consideration of recognition. Kindly treat it as the last opportunity for the same.

It is, therefore, requested to apply for seeking recognition, as per the detailed instructions provided. Only Part A of the prescribed format has to be submitted online by 18th July 2016, besides hard copy of the format, as per the schedule mentioned in the instructions. The detailed instructions along with the pro forma have been uploaded on the UGC website www.ugc.ac.in/deb. The application, complete in all respect, should reach UGC on or before 20.07.2016 (05.00 P.M.). The applications received after the due date will not be considered in any manner. The Changes in schedule, if any, will be intimated through UGC website only.

It may be noted that applications which are not in prescribed pro forma or with incomplete/ ambiguous information will not be entertained by UGC.

The UGC will consider conveying the approval for the recognition from the academic year 2016-17 on receipt of all the required information. It is requested that admission process for distance education programmes from the academic year 2016-17 should not be initiated before obtaining the specific approval from UGC or in anticipation of approval of the submitted proposal. Also, submission of proposal should not be perceived as continuation of recognition till the final decision of UGC is conveyed.

Clarification, if any, may be sought through email ID: deb-ugc@gov.in

Yours faithfully
(Megha Kaushik)

Education Officer