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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**Violations by Periyar University, Tamil Nadu in running distance education programmes as per UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020**

Periyar University was recognised by erstwhile DEC for period from 2007-08 to 2014-15 and by UGC-DEB for 2019-20 (Academic Session January, 2020 only) for offering programmes through ODL mode.

It has come to the notice of the Commission through various communications received in UGC office that Periyar University, Tamil Nadu is functioning without a full time Director, inadequate full time faculty, inadequate non-teaching staff, not yet established centre and running ODL programmes without prior approval of UGC in gross violation of conditions laid down under UGC (Open and Distance Learning Regulations, 2017, UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments from time to time.

Accordingly, based on the provisions of the UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020, the recommendations of the Complaint Redressal Committee (CRC), DEB 12<sup>th</sup> Working Group meeting, the Commission in its meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> February, 2022 has decided the following:

1. No application of the HEI shall be considered for the year 2022-23 to 2023-24.
2. The application submitted by the HEI for the year 2021-22 for offering ODL programmes is also not be processed.
3. The complaints received/violations noticed details shall be forwarded to Honourable Governor and the Secretary (HE), State Government for fact-finding and needful actions in the matter.

Therefore, the general public, students and other stakeholders are cautioned through this public notice not to take admission in any programme offered by Periyar University, Tamil Nadu through ODL mode. Taking admission in such programmes may jeopardise the career of the students, in view of the absence of recognition of the programmes by the UGC.

  
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