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PUBLIC NOTICE

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Invitation of applications from Eligible Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) for recognition to offer programmes under Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode and/or Online mode for academic year 2026-27, academic session beginning January-February, 2027 and onwards.

UGC invites fresh online applications from Eligible Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) as per Regulation 3(A) and Regulation 3(B)(b) of UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments for recognition of programmes under Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode and/or Online mode for academic year 2026-27, academic session beginning January- February, 2027 and onwards.

Application Timeline & Submission Details:

- Online Application Window: **1st September, 2026 till 15th September, 2026**
- Application Portal: **<https://deb.ugc.ac.in/>**
- Hard copy submission Deadline for original affidavit & annexures: **25th September, 2026**
- Submission Address: **Joint Secretary, Distance Education Bureau, UGC, 35, Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi – 110001.**

The HEIs are requested to visit the UGC DEB website at <https://deb.ugc.ac.in/> for the prescribed application fee and for further updates/ announcements in this regard.

Note:-

1. The application submission window is opened throughout the year at <https://deb.ugc.ac.in/> for HEIs entitled to offer Online programmes and Category-I HEIs to offer Open and Distance Learning (ODL) programmes.
2. The mere submission of an application should not be considered as grant of approval and that all application(s) shall be subject to scrutiny with respect to the standards stipulated in the UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.


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