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NOTIFICATION

**Policy on Territorial Jurisdiction --
Offering of programmes through Study centres by Universities/ Institutions**

The DEC in its 40th meeting held on 08.06.2012 has decided on the policy of territorial jurisdiction in respect of the open and distance learning institutions which is stated as under:

- In case of Central Universities, the Territorial Jurisdiction will be as per their Acts and Statutes for offering programmes through distance mode.
- In case of State Universities (both Govt. funded & Private), the Territorial Jurisdiction will be as per their Acts and Statutes but not beyond the boundaries of their respective states.
- In case of Deemed to be Universities, the Territorial Jurisdiction will be as per the notification of Govt. of India to accord them this status until a policy decision is taken by the UGC.
- The Territorial Jurisdiction in case of Private Institutions (other than Universities) will be headquarters. In case any such institution desires to offer programmes beyond its headquarters then it should establish its new institutions as per norms.
- The study centres are simply facilitators in programme delivery. No University/ Institution will be allowed to franchise the Study centres; the Universities/ Institutions will have to operate the study centres themselves.

All the ODLIs are hereby directed to adhere to the territorial jurisdiction policy, henceforth.

DIRECTOR