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ORDER

Whereas, by virtue of Statute 28 of Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) Act 1985, Distance Education Council (DEC) came into existence in 1991 as an authority of IGNOU under Section 16 thereof;

And whereas, DEC was responsible for the promotion and coordination of the Open University and distance education system, and for the determination of its standards;

And whereas, vide notification No. IG/Admn (G)/DEC/2013/3057 dated 4/5/2013 issued by IGNOU, Statute 28 of IGNOU Act 1985 stand repealed and deleted with immediate effect and consequently, DEC of IGNOU stands dissolved;

And whereas, the Government of India, in exercise of its power conferred under Section 20(1) of UGC Act 1956, issued an order no. 6-20/2010/DL dated 29/12/2012 entrusting UGC to act as a regulator for higher education through Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode and if, universities offer any programme / course in ODL mode, they would require recognition from UGC;

And whereas, the erstwhile DEC had its assets and liabilities, regular manpower/staff and official records / files which, as a consequence of dissolution of DEC, requires to be transferred and taken over on 'as is where is' basis in order to ensure smooth transition and carrying on of uninterrupted functioning of the regulation of the ODL programmes /recognition process in the country;

Now therefore, it has been decided by the competent authority to -

a) the entire set up of erstwhile DEC, including existing infrastructural facilities stand taken over by UGC with immediate effect, on 'as is where is' basis

b) the entire regular manpower / staff working with DEC as on 4/5/2013, except temporary, contractual, *ad hoc* manpower / staff and the Chairman of erstwhile DEC, shall stand taken over by UGC on 'deemed deputation' basis until further orders

c) the senior-most Director of erstwhile DEC shall report directly to the Secretary and Chairman, UGC as in the case of a vertical hierarchical order and submit all files to Secretary, UGC

d) no order / communication pertaining to ODL and erstwhile DEC shall be issued without specific approval of Secretary / Chairman, UGC

The Senior-most Director of erstwhile DEC shall ensure compliance of this order which comes into force with immediate effect.

This issues with the approval of the competent authority.

(Akhilesh Gupta) Secretary UGC

Copy to:-.

- 1. Dr. (Mrs.) Nalini A. Lele, Director of erstwhile DEC.
- 2. Secretary, Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resources Development, Shastri Bhawan New Delhi.
- 3. Shri Anant Kumar Singh, Joint Secretary, M/HRD.
- 4. Shri R.P. Sisodia, Joint Secretary M/HRD.
- 5. Vice Chancellor IGNOU.
- 6. PS to Chairman/Secretary/Director (Admn.)/FA, UGC.
- 7. DS(Admn.I)/US(Gen. Admn.)/SO(Admn.I/C)/SO(Gen. Admn.), UGC.
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(Upamanyu Basu) Director (Admn.)