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RECOGNITION OF HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION FOR OPEN AND DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMMES

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Recognition of Higher Educational Institutions offering programmes in ODL mode

Every H.E. Institution who has been given the approval to implement the course from the regulatory authority has to make an application to the Commission on the fulfilment of the following conditions, namely:

for offering the programme in ODL mode;

The H.E Institution shall adhere to the policy of territorial jurisdiction;

The H.E. Institution other than an Open University, should be offering similar programme in the conventional mode of classroom teaching;

A copy of such application should be displayed on the website of the H.E. Institutions by way of self disclosure;

The application should be accompanied by evidence of the SLMs required for the programmes;

The application should be accompanied by evidence of availability of ODL resources adequate for effective delivery of all the proposed programme(s);

The application should be accompanied by evidence of the preparedness for establishing LSC, providing LSS, establishing IQAC, availability of the academic staff in LSC of H.E., availability of qualified Counselors in the LSCs, and the administrative arrangements for effective delivery of ODL;

The H.E. Institution should have valid accreditation from NAAC and has completed five years of existence;

This clause shall not be applicable to Open Universities till the time they become eligible for NAAC accreditation and it shall be mandatory for Open Universities to get NAAC accreditation within one year of their becoming eligible for the same;

Deemed Institution shall offer the ODL courses as per the extant Deemed to be a University and also notified by the UGC from time to time in the matter;

The Higher Educational Institution has valid accreditation from NAAC and has completed five years of existence.

The Commission shall process the application received under regulation (3.2) in the following manner:

Any deficiency in the application shall be communicated by the Commission to the H.E. Institution within a month's time;

The Commission may inspect the programmes which have already been inspected in the past or prior to coming into force of these regulations;

The Commission shall examine the application with the help of an Expert Committee constituted by Chairman of the Commission;

After processing the application in the manner laid down under regulation 3.3, the Commission shall:

If H.E. Institution fulfills the laid down conditions, then a grant of 5 year maybe given

If H.E. Institution does not fulfill the desired conditions, the Commission shall provide in writing the reason for refusal of recognition

Before passing the order, the Commission shall provide opportunity to the concerned Higher Educational Institution of being heard

Every order granting or refusing recognition to a Higher Educational Institutions for programme(s) in ODL mode shall be communicated in writing for appropriate action to such H.E. Institutions and to the concerned State Government and the Central Government.

Every H.E. Institution, in respect of which recognition for programme(s) has not been granted by the Commission, shall discontinue the programme(s) in ODL mode with immediate effect.

No H.E. Institution shall offer a programme in Open and Distance Learning mode for academic session immediately after the notification of these regulations and for subsequent academic session and admit students thereto unless it has been granted recognition for the programme.

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