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The Registrar
Jagannath University
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Sub: Commission Order on the application submitted online by the Higher Educational Institution (HEI) for recognition of the programmes to be offered in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from academic year 2023-24, academic session beginning July-August, 2023 and onwards -regarding.

Sir/Madam,

1. In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 26 read with clause (j) of section 12 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956), the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 was notified in the Gazette of India on 4th September, 2020. Subsequently, the first and second amendments in Principal Regulations have been notified on 01.07.2021 and 18.07.2022 respectively in the Gazette of India.
2. The eligibility criterion for Higher Educational Institution is enumerated under Regulation 3 in Part II of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments. The Regulation 4 and 5 describes the process of application and the approval process for the Open and Distance Learning and Online Programmes whereas Regulations 6 describes provisions of right to appeal by the Higher Educational Institutions aggrieved with the order of the Commission and Regulations 7 describes the process of withdrawal of Recognition.
3. The University Grants Commission had invited online applications from the eligible Higher Educational Institutions 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 the programmes under Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode and/or Online mode from academic year **2023-24, academic session beginning from July-August, 2023** and onwards vide Public Notice F.No.1-1/2023(DEB-I) dated 01st March, 2023, mentioning therein that the online portal for submitting applications shall be open upto 31st March, 2023. **Jagannath University, Rajasthan** had submitted its application for recognition of the Open and Distance Learning Programmes.
4. Application received from **Jagannath University, Rajasthan** had been scrutinized and deficiency(ies) or defect(s) in application were communicated to the HEI as per the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and

Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments to remove or rectify such deficiency(ies) or defect(s) along with relevant documentary evidence.

5. The **Jagannath University, Rajasthan** was invited for a Virtual Interface Meeting with the Expert Committee duly constituted by the Chairman, UGC, on **01st June, 2023**.
6. The Interface Expert Committee, based on the submitted application, compliance to deficiency(ies) or defect(s) communicated earlier, the presentation made by the Higher Educational Institution in the Interface Meeting and as per the provisions of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendment made recommendations for the consideration of the Competent Authority/ Commission.
7. Based on the recommendations of Interface Expert Committee and its approval by Competent Authority/Commission, I am directed to issue this Order, thereby communicating the programme wise recognition for the programmes to be offered in **Open and Distance Learning mode** from academic year 2023-24, academic session beginning **from July -August, 2023** by the **Jagannath University, Rajasthan** as detailed in point no. 8 below. **The assessment sheet duly approved by Competent Authority has already been communicated to the Higher Educational Institution through UGC-DEB portal on 21.06.2023.**
8. **Programme-wise Recognition status**

(i) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Recognized-05 (Assessment Sheet communicated to the HEI through UGC-DEB web portal on 21.06.2023):-**

S. No.	Name of the ODL Programmes	Period of Recognition
1	BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS)(GENERAL)	2023-24 academic session beginning from July-August, 2023 to 2027-28 (upto January, 2028 only)
2	BACHELOR OF ARTS (JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION)	
3	BACHELOR OF COMMERCE	
4	BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION	
5	MASTER OF ARTS (JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION)	

(ii) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes:- Not Recognized-01**

S.No.	Name of the ODL Programmes	Reason(s) for Rejection
1	Bachelor of Computer Applications (Computer Application)	HEI is not eligible to run Science programmes due to low NAAC score i.e. <3.26

9. For the programmes recognised in 8(i) above, the Higher Educational Institution shall comply with all the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes & Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 while

offering the programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode. Some specific provisions for compliance have been mentioned in **Annexure-1**

10. As stipulated under Sub-Regulation 7 of Regulations 5 of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020:

"No Higher Educational Institution shall offer any Open and Distance Learning Programme and/or Online Programme and admit learners thereto unless it has been granted recognition by the Commission and admission shall not be made in anticipation of the recognition".

11. In the event of any Higher Educational Institution found offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode and/or Online mode without recognition of the Commission or in violation to any of the provisions of these regulations and guidelines or orders made there under, the Commission may take actions as per Regulations 7 of Part -II of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.
12. The application of HEI stands closed.
13. The decision of the commission shall be final and binding on the Higher Educational Institution.

Yours faithfully,

(Neethu S. Thulaseedharan)
Deputy Secretary

Encl. As above
Copy to:

1. The Secretary Higher Education, Government of Rajasthan, Department of College Education Block-IV, Dr. S. Radhakrishnan, Shiksha Sanku, Jawahar Lal Nehru Marg, Jaipur- 302015-Rajasthan with a request to ensure that the HEI adheres to all the provisions of the UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendment(s).
2. The Joint Secretary (Open & Distance/Online Learning), Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110 001.
3. The Vice-Chancellor, Jagannath University, NH-12, Chaksu Bypass, Tonk Road, Jaipur- 303901 Rajasthan
4. The Joint Secretary, CPP-I/PU, UGC, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi -110 002.
5. Guard file.

(Neera Chopra)
Under Secretary