





### UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION DISTANCE EDUCATION BUREAU

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The Ragistrar, University of Burdwan, Rajbati, Purba Bardhaman West Bengal PIN-713 104 Director 6. 4. 12025

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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 2024-25, onwards-regarding.

### Sir/Madam,

- 1. UGC has notified the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its, amendments. Regulations 3, 4 and 5 describe the eligibility criterion for HEI, the process of application and the approval process for ODL and Online Programmes whereas Regulation 6 describes provisions of the right to appeal by the HEIs aggrieved with the order of the Commission.
- The Commission invited online applications from the eligible HEIs for recognition of the programmes under ODL mode and/or Online mode from academic year 2024-2025, academic session beginning October, 2024(revised from July-August, 2024) vide Public Notice F.No. 1-16/2024 (DEB-I) dated 06th May, 2024.
- 3. Application received from University of Burdwan, West Bengal for recognition of ODL programmes was assessed by Virtual Interface Expert Committee (IEC)/Standing Appellate Committee (SAC) duly constituted by the Chairman, UGC. The details of the meetings are as under:

Sr.No.	Name of the Committee		Date of	Date of recommendation
			meeting	sheet shared with the HEI
For ODL Programmes:				
1.	Interface	Expert	27.08.2024	30-10-2024
	Committee			
2.	Standing App	pellate	16-12-2024	07-01-2025
	Committee		-	

4. Based on the recommendations of IEC/SAC 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 **ODL mode** from the academic year 2024-25 and onwards.

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# 5. Programme wise recognition status

(i) Open and Distance Learning Programmes Recognized from academic session October, 2024 (revised from July-August, 2024):

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Period of Recognition
	Nil	

(ii) Open and Distance Learning Programmes Recognized from academic session February, 2025 (on the basis of the recommendations of the SAC\*):

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Period of Recognition
1.	• •BACHELOR OF EDUCATION	2024-25, academic session beginning February, 2025 and 2025-26, academic session beginning July-August, 2025 only.
2.	***MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (approved maximum intake 120 learners)	2024-25, academic session beginning February, 2025 to 2029-30 (upto July-August, 2029 only)

\*The recommendations of the IEC have been reversed by the SAC.

##Master of Business Administration (Management Studies) is recommended as Master of Business Administration.

(iii) Open and Distance Learning Programmes Not Recognised:

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Sr. No.	Programme Name	Reason for non-			
		recognition			
Nil					

- 6. For the programmes recognized in the aforementioned table, the HEI shall comply with all the provisions of the UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments while offering the programmes in ODL/Online mode.
- 7. The application of the HEI stands closed.
- 8. In the event any HEI is 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 regulation 7 of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.

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<sup>#</sup>Programmes falling under the ambit of Regulatory Authority have been considered on the basis of communication/recommendation/MoU received from respective Regulatory Authority (NCTE). HEI shall strictly abide by the conditions such as nomenclature, credits, intake, valid academic year, period of recognition, centre etc. mentioned in the relevant Regulatory Authority letter while offering programme(s) in ODL mode.

9. The decision of the Commission shall be final and binding on the HEL.

Yours faithfully,

Naresh Pal Meena) Education Officer

#### Copy to:

- 1. The Secretary, Higher Education, Government of West Bengal, Bikash Bhavan, Salt Lake City, 6th Floor Kolkata - 700 091. [with a request to ensure that HEI adheres to all the provisions of the UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.]
- 2. The Economic Advisor, Distance Learning Section, MoE, Govt. of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110 001. Marg,
- Mandela Nelson AICTE, Secretary, Member 3. The Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070.
- 4. The Member Secretary, National Council for Teacher Education, G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi - 110075.
- 5. The Vice Chancellor, University of Burdwan, Rajbati, Purba Bardhaman-West Bengal, PIN-713104.
- 6. The Joint Secretary, State University Bureau, UGC, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi -110 002.

(Amit Saini) Section Officer