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University Grants Commission
(मानव संसाधन विकास मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार)
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PUBLIC NOTICE

Programmes prohibited in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode

1. The UGC had notified UGC (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 in the Gazette on 23.06.2017. Subsequently 1st Amendment was notified on 11th October, 2017, Second Amendment was notified on 6th February, 2018 and Third Amendment was notified on 6th September, 2018.
2. Provisions defined in clause (p) of Sub Regulation (2) of Part-I of UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 regarding professional programmes:

“Professional programmes” means a programme other than programmes in engineering, medicine, dental, pharmacy, nursing, architecture, physiotherapy and programmes not permitted to be offered in distance mode by any Statutory Councils or Regulatory Authorities to be conducted by the Higher Educational Institutions under Open and Distance Learning mode or Distance Education mode for the purpose of these regulations, if any, should be considered only if the same are approved by the respective Statutory Councils or Regulatory Authorities.

3. It is for information that as per communication received from Secretary & Director General, Department of Agricultural Research & Education and Indian Council of Agricultural Research, Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Government of India, and as decided by the Commission in its 538th Meeting held on 29th January, 2019, Agriculture degree programmes are prohibited in ODL mode from the Academic Session 2019-20 beginning July, 2019.
4. All the stakeholders are requested to take note of the same.


(Rajnish Jain)
Secretary