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Date: -March, 2021

The Registrar,
Mahatma Gandhi Chitrakoot
Gramodaya Vishwavidyalaya,
District-Satna (M.P.)-485 334

Sub: Commission Order on the application, submitted online by the Higher Educational Institution for recognition of the programmes to be offered in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from academic year 2020-21 and onwards, session beginning February-March, 2021 - regarding

Sir/Madam,

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 had been notified in the Gazette of India on 4th September, 2020.

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. The Regulation 4 and 5 describes the process of applications and the approval process for the Open and Distance Learning and Online Programmes whereas Regulations 6 describe provisions of right to appeal by the Higher Educational Institutions aggrieved with the order of the Commission and Regulations 7 describe the process of withdrawal of Recognition.
3. In accordance with these Regulations, the Commission had invited online applications from the eligible Higher Educational Institutions for offering Open and Distance Learning and Online Programmes from the **academic session 2020-21, beginning February-March, 2021. The Mahatma Gandhi Chitrakoot Gramodaya Vishwavidyalaya, Madhya Pradesh** had submitted its application for recognition of the Open and Distance Learning Programmes.
4. Application received from **Mahatma Gandhi Chitrakoot Gramodaya vishwavidyalaya, Madhya Pradesh** had been scrutinized and deficiency(s) or defect(s) in application were communicated to HEI as per the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 to remove or rectify such deficiency(s) or defect(s) with relevant documentary evidence.
5. The **Mahatma Gandhi Chitrakoot Gramodaya Vishwavidyalaya, Madhya Pradesh** was invited for a Virtual Interface Meeting with the Expert Committee; constituted by

the Chairman of the Commission; on **01/02/2021** in the UGC office, 35 Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi – 110 001.

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 virtual Interface Expert Committee Meeting, and as per the provisions of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 made recommendations for the consideration of 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 2020-21 (academic session beginning February-March, 2021) by the **Mahatma Gandhi Chitrakoot Gramodaya Vishwavidyalaya, Madhya Pradesh**; 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 19.02.2021.

8. **Programme wise recognition status**

(i) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Recognized**

S. No.	Name of the ODL Programmes	Period of Recognition
1.	Bachelor of Arts	Academic Session Beginning January (February-March as Revised) 2021 to 2024-2025 (Upto Jan, 2025 Only)
2.	Bachelor of Commerce	
3.	Bachelor of Social Work	
4.	Master of Social Work	
5.	Master of Arts (Education)	
6.	Master of Arts (Rural Development)	
7.	Master of Arts (Political Science)	
8.	Master of Arts (History)	
9.	Master of Arts (English)	
10.	Master of Arts (Hindi)	
11.	Master of Arts (Sanskrit)	
12.	Master of Commerce	

Note: For Science Based programme; Intake in ODL shall be as per the point '2' of **Annexure I**.

(ii) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Not Recognized**

S. No.	Name of the ODL Programmes	Reason(s) for refusal
1.	Bachelor of Science(Mathematics)	Withdrawn by the HEI
2.	Bachelor of Science(Biology)	
3.	Master of Science(Mathematics)	

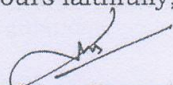
9. For the programmes recognized in 8(i) above, the Higher Educational Institution shall comply with all the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 while offering the programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode.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

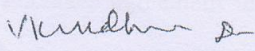
11. In the event of any Higher Educational Institution found offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode and/or Online mode without recognition of the Commission or in violation to any of the provisions of these regulations and guidelines or orders made there under, the Commission may take actions as per Sub- Regulation 3 of Regulation 7 in Part -II of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.

Yours faithfully,


(Neethu S. Thulaseedharan)
Education Officer

Copy to:

1. The Secretary, Higher Education, Government of Madhya Pradesh, Department of Higher Education, Mantralay, Vallabh Bhawan, Bhopal-462004 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.
2. The Joint Secretary (Open & Distance/Online Learning), Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110 001.
3. The Vice Chancellor, Mahatma Gandhi Chitrakoot Gramodaya Vishwavidyalaya, Chitrakoot, Madhya Pradesh-485 334.
4. The Joint Secretary, SU Bureau, UGC, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi -110 002
5. Guard file.


(V.K. Sudharsana Devi)
Section Officer

