

Mangalayatan University, Aligarh
Center for Distance and Online Education

S.N.	Courses offered	Date of Approval	Letter No.
1	BA	21-11-2023	F.No.-8-2/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL)
2	BBA	21-11-2023	F.No.-8-2/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL)
3	BCOM	21-11-2023	F.No.-8-2/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL)
4	BLIS	05-12-2024	F.No.-8-29/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL)
5	BA JMC	05-12-2024	F.No.-8-29/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL)
6	BSC (ZBC & PCM)	05-12-2024	F.No.-8-29/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL)
7	BBA Hons.	25-03-2025	F.No.-8-2/2024(DEB-I)
8	BCOM Hons.	25-03-2025	F.No.-8-2/2024(DEB-I)
9	MA (English)	21-11-2023	F.No.-8-2/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL)
10	MA (Political Science)	21-11-2023	F.No.-8-2/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL)
11	MA (Sociology)	21-11-2023	F.No.-8-2/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL)
12	MA (History)	21-11-2023	F.No.-8-2/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL)
13	MCOM	21-11-2023	F.No.-8-2/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL)
14	M.Sc. (Maths)	21-11-2023	F.No.-8-2/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL)
15	MLIS	05-12-2024	F.No.-8-29/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL)
16	MBA	21-11-2023 25-03-2025	F.No.-8-2/2023 (DEB-I)(ODL) F.No.-8-2/2024(DEB-I)



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21 November, 2023

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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,

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), University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 have been notified on 4th September, 2020 in the Gazette of India. 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 describe the process of application and the approval process for the Open and Distance Learning and Online Programmes whereas Regulation 6 describes provisions of right to appeal by the Higher Educational Institutions aggrieved with the order of the Commission and Regulation 7 describes the process of withdrawal of Recognition.

3. University Grants Commission 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. However, **Mangalayatan University, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh** was not able to complete the application process within the stipulated time.

4. Based on the representations received from HEIs for opening the UGC DEB portal for submission of applications for academic session beginning July-August, 2023, Commission in its 571st Meeting held on 25th July, 2023 considered and decided to reopen application window for all such HEIs which had started the application process but could not submit the application due to various issues for academic year **2023-24, academic session beginning from July-August, 2023** and accordingly, HEIs were given 3 days to submit the application on UGC DEB web portal. Further, Commission also decided to curtail the recognition process in respect of these HEIs and no appeal provision shall be applicable to these HEIs. Accordingly, the above Commission decision was informed to the HEI vide letter F.No. 1-1/2023(DEB- I) dated 02.08.2023.

5. Based on Commission decision, UGC DEB web portal was re-opened from 3rd August, 2023 till 5th August, 2023. Accordingly, **Mangalayan University, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh** submitted its application for recognition of Open and Distance Learning Programmes.

6. As the HEI had applied for the first time since the notification of Regulations, the **Mangalayan University, Uttar Pradesh** was visited virtually by the Visiting Expert Committee (VEC) constituted by the Chairman, UGC on 14th and 16th August, 2023. The report of the Visiting Expert Committee was considered by the Expert Review Committee (ERC) in its meeting held on 23rd August, 2023. However, ERC referred back few under consideration programmes to the VEC. Accordingly, Visiting Expert Committee in its meeting held on 28th August, 2023 re-assessed the under consideration programmes which were referred back by the ERC and submitted its report. The report of the second meeting of the VEC was placed before the ERC in its meeting held on 29th August, 2023.

7. The Expert Review Committee based on the application submitted, compliance to deficiency(ies) or defect(s) communicated earlier, the reports of Visiting Expert Committee and in terms of provisions of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments, made recommendations for consideration of the Competent Authority/Commission.

8. Based on the recommendations of Expert Review Committee (ERC) and its approval by the 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 **July -August, 2023** by **Mangalayan University, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh** as detailed in point no. 9 below. The Expert Review Committee recommendation sheet approved by Competent Authority along with Visiting Expert Committee (VEC) reports have already been communicated to the Higher Educational Institution through UGC-DEB portal on 31.08.2023.

9. Programme wise recognition status

(i) Open and Distance Learning Programme(s) recognized : 10 (Ten)

(Assessment sheet communicated to the HEI through UGC-DEB web portal on 31.08.2023):-

S. No.	Name of the ODL Programme(s)	Period of Recognition
1	BACHELOR OF COMMERCE	2023-24 academic session beginning from July-August, 2023 to 2027-28 (upto January, 2028 only)
2	BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATIONS OF 3 SUBJECTS – ENGLISH, HISTORY, POLITICAL SCIENCE, ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY)*	
3	BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION	2023-24 academic session beginning from July-August, 2023 to 2027-28 (upto January, 2028 only)
4	MASTER OF ARTS (HISTORY)	
5	MASTER OF COMMERCE	
6	MASTER OF ARTS (ENGLISH)	
7	MASTER OF ARTS (SOCIOLOGY)	
8	MASTER OF ARTS (POLITICAL SCIENCE)	
9	MASTER OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS)**	
10	MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION***	2023-24 academic session beginning from July-August, 2023 to January, 2024 only

Jul-23 YES

*Proposed BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATIONS OF 3 SUBJECTS General) is recommended for recognition as **BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATIONS OF 3 SUBJECTS – ENGLISH, HISTORY, POLITICAL SCIENCE, ECONOMICS AND SOCIOLOGY)**.

**For Science based programmes, HEI shall ensure that the Intake shall not be more than three times of the approved intake in conventional mode.

***Proposed Master of Business Administration (Marketing, Finance, HR) is recommended for recognition as **Master of Business Administration**.

Note:- (a) The MBA programme (falling under the ambit of AICTE) has been considered on the basis of communication/NOC/approval/recommendations received from the AICTE. The HEI shall strictly abide by the conditions such as nomenclature, valid academic year, period of recognition etc. mentioned in the relevant Regulatory Authority letter, while offering MBA programme in ODL mode.

(b) HEI shall establish a fully dedicated Help Desk for the enrolled ODL students.

(c) Expert Committee directed the HEI to adhere to all the direction/guidelines of UGC and concerned State Government regarding admission procedure.

(d) HEI being a Private University, shall offer programmes under Open and Distance Learning mode from its Head Quarters only: and not through any Learner Support Centre.

(e) HEI shall scrupulously abide by all the terms and conditions regarding faculty and staff requirements for offering ODL programmes as mentioned in Annexure-IV of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020. HEI shall ensure that the faculty members shown for each programme are on 'full time dedicated basis'.

(f) HEI shall ensure that the delivery of Self Learning Material to learners for ODL programmes is as defined in Annexure-VI and Annexure-VII of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.

(ii) Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Programmes Not Recognized:- 04 (Four)

S.No.	Name of the ODL Programme(s)	Reason(s) for Refusal
1.	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (ZBC)	HEI doesn't have requisite lab equipment and other related infrastructure to efficiently conduct laboratory work/practicals for offering proposed programmes in ODL mode. HEI needs to augment the laboratory facilities and other related infrastructure and also develop clear guidelines about the laboratory support to the learners for effective delivery of practical based programmes in ODL mode.
2.	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (PCM)	
3.	BACHELOR OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE)	
4.	MASTER OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE)	

10. For the programmes recognized in 9(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 and its amendments while offering the programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode. Some specific provisions for compliance have been mentioned in **Annexure-1**.

11. Based on 571st Commission decision, appeal provision shall not be applicable for the programmes not recognized at point no. 9 (ii) above.

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

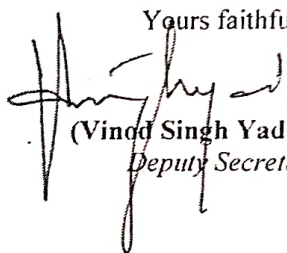
"No Higher Educational Institution shall offer any Open and Distance Learning Programme and/or Online Programme and admit learners thereto unless it has been granted recognition by the Commission and admission shall not be made in anticipation of the recognition".

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

14. The application of the HEI for the academic year 2023-24, session beginning July - August. 2023 and onwards **stands closed**.

15. The decision of the Commission shall be final and binding on the Higher Educational Institution.

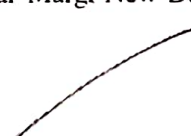
Yours faithfully,


(Vinod Singh Yadav)
Deputy Secretary

Encl :- As Above

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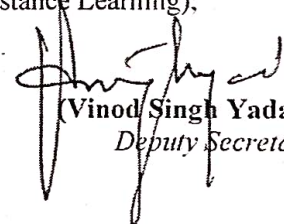
1. The Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Sarojini Naidu Marg, Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh - 211 001 with a request to ensure that HEI adheres to all the provisions of the UGC (ODL Programmes & OL Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.
2. The Economic Advisor, Distance Learning Section, Ministry of Education, Govt of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110 001.
3. The Member Secretary, AICTE, Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, Delhi- 110 070.
4. The Vice Chancellor, Mangalayatan University, Aligarh-Mathura Highway, Beswan, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh - 202 146
5. The Joint Secretary, (CPP-I/PU) University Bureau, UGC, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi - 110 002
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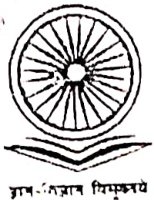

(Dr. Naresh Pal Meena)
Education Officer

Specific Provisions for Compliance

- 1) The Higher Educational Institution shall comply to all the terms and conditions mentioned in the Affidavit dated 03rd August, 2023 duly notarized and signed by Brig. Sumar Vir Singh, Registrar and Prof. Masood Parveez, Director submitted to the Commission.
- 2) HEI shall abide by the academic calendar as notified by the Commission and upload Student data on UGC DEB web portal within stipulated time.
- 3) Intake capacity of science based programme under Open and Distance Learning mode will be as follows:-
 - For Dual Mode University: Intake shall not be more than three times of the approved intake in conventional mode.
 - For Open University: Learner enrolment shall be commensurate with the capacity of the Learner Support Centres to provide lab facilities to the admitted learners.
- 4) The HEI shall scrupulously abide by all the terms and conditions regarding faculty and staff requirements for offering ODL/Online programmes as mentioned in **Annexure-IV** of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020. HEI shall ensure that the faculty members shown for each programme are on 'full time dedicated basis' and no faculty member of LSC/other institution is shown as faculty of the HEI.
- 5) The total deployment of work force and other support at study or Learner Support Centres in Open and Distance Learning mode shall be as mentioned in Regulations.
- 6) The HEI shall also adhere to the policy of Territorial Jurisdiction as specified in **Annexure-III** of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.
- 7) HEI shall establish "Examination Centre(s)" strictly as per **Annexure-II** of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and conduct proctored examination as under:
 - For ODL Programmes: Examination through pen-paper or online or computer based testing within Territorial Jurisdiction, in the examination centre as per condition laid down in Regulations.
 - For Online Programmes: Examinations either using Computer based test or pen and paper test in a proctored environment in designated test centre with all the security arrangements ensuring transparency and credibility of the examinations. It can also conduct online examination through technology mediated proctoring.
- 8) Programmes under the purview of regulatory authorities have been considered on the basis of NOC/ approval/ recommendation received from the respective regulatory authority. The HEI shall abide by the conditions such as the number of seats, valid academic year, etc. mentioned in the relevant regulatory authority letter.
- 9) HEI offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode shall ensure that a Learner Support Centre is established as per Regulations and fulfills following conditions:-
 - Learner Support Centre defined under these regulations shall not be the Learner Support Centre for more than two Higher Educational Institutions at a time to offer programmes in ODL mode.
 - Private University established under the State Act shall be eligible to offer programmes under Open and Distance Learning mode through its Head Quarters; not through any Learner Support Centre.
 - Learner Support Centre will not be set up under a franchisee agreement in any manner.
- 10) HEI offering programme in ODL mode shall prepare Self Learning Material as per **Annexure-VI** and **Annexure-VII** of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 taking into consideration the following:
 - At least 60 percent of Self Learning Materials shall be developed by the in-house faculty of the HEI
 - Remaining percent of the materials can be sourced from available resources such as other HEIs, Open Educational Resources (OER) and SWAYAM.

- 11) HEI shall adhere to the weightage for different components of assessments for Open and Distance Learning mode and Online mode as under:
- Continuous or formative assessment (in semester): Maximum 30 percent.
 - Summative assessment (end semester examination or term end examination): Minimum 70 percent.
- 12) HEI shall make mandatory disclosure(s) on its website as per Regulation 9 of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.
- 13) HEI shall establish Students Grievances Redressal Committee (SGRC) and appoint Ombudsperson(s) at the Institute or University level as per University Grants Commission (Redressal of Grievances of Students) Regulations, 2023 and as amended from time to time.
- 14) HEI shall establish Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) as per **Annexure-I** of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 for offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode and/or Online mode. HEI shall also submit annual report of CIQA within stipulated time period.
- 15) HEI shall ensure that the delivery of Self Learning Material to learners for ODL programmes is as defined in **Annexure-VI** and **Annexure-VII** of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.
- 16) HEI shall mandatorily mention the following on the backside of each of the degrees/certificates and mark sheets issued by the Higher Educational Institution to the learners (for each semester certificate and at the end of the programme); as per Regulations 16 of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020:
- Mode of delivery;
 - Date of admission;
 - Date of completion;
 - Name and address of all Learner Support Centres (only for Open and Distance Learning);
 - Name and address of all Examination Centres.


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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 February, 2024 and onwards-regarding.

Sir/Madam,

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-sections (1) and (2) of section 26 read with clause (i) of section 12 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956), University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 has been notified in the Gazette of India on 4th September, 2020. Subsequently, the first, second and third amendments in Principal Regulations have been notified on 01.07.2021, 18.07.2022 and 02.05.2024 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 describe 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 Regulation 7 describes the process of withdrawal of Recognition.

3. 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 February, 2024** and onwards vide Public Notice F. No. 1-1/2023 (DEB-I) dated 05th October, 2023, mentioning therein that the online portal for submitting applications shall be open upto 31st October, 2023. **Mangalayatan University, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh** submitted its application for recognition of the Open and Distance Learning Programmes.

4. Application received from **Mangalayatan University, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh** was 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 with a request to remove or rectify such deficiency(ies) or defect(s) along with relevant documentary evidence (if any).

5. **Mangalayatan University, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh** was invited for a Virtual Interface Meeting with the Expert Committee duly constituted by the Chairman, UGC, on **18.12.2023**.

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

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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 **February, 2024** by **Mangalayan University, Aligarh, Uttar 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 11.01.2024.**

8. **Programme wise recognition status**

- (i) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Recognized:- 03 (Three)**
(Assessment sheet communicated to the HEI through UGC-DEB web portal on 11.01.2024):-

S. No.	Name of the Programme(s)	Period of Recognition
1.	BACHELOR OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCES	2023-24 academic session beginning from February, 2024 to 2028-29 (upto July, 2028 only)
2.	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (PHYSICS, CHEMISTRY, MATEHMATICS, ZOOLOGY, BOTANY, CHEMISTRY)	
3.	MASTER OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCES	

Note:-

- (a) Proposed Bachelor of Science (Combination of 3 Subjects) is recommended as Bachelor of Science (Combination of 3 Subjects) (Physics, Chemistry, Mathematics, Zoology, Botany, Chemistry)
- (b) As per UGC (ODL Programmes & Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020, HEI shall offer Science programme(s) in ODL mode only from its Headquarters/main campus.

(ii) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Not Recommended :- 03 (Three)**

S.No.	Name of the ODL Programme(s)	Reason(s) for Refusal
1.	BACHELOR OF ARTS	HEI submitted SLM for Bachelor of Journalism and Mass Communications, whereas Statutory body's approval for PPR and SLM is submitted for B.A. (Journalism and Mass Communications).
2.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (CHEMISTRY)	SLM is not prepared as per UGC (ODL Programmes & Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020
3.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (PHYSICS)	

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 and its amendments while offering the programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode. Some specific provisions for compliance have been mentioned in **Annexure-1**.
10. For the programmes not recommended for recognition as per 8(ii) above, the Higher Educational Institution may prefer an appeal to the Commission within a period of 30 days from the date of

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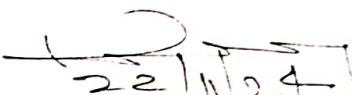
communication of Interface Meeting Sheet on UGC, DEB portal as per the provision at sub-regulation (1) of Regulations 6 of Part-II of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020. The HEI submitted its appeal against the decision of the Expert Review Committee within the stipulated time. The appeal submitted by the HEI has been processed as per University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments. The detailed Commission order regarding the appeal submitted by the HEI will be communicated subsequently.

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

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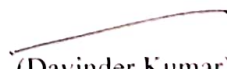
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Specific Provisions for Compliance

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- Learner Support Centre will not be set up under a franchisee agreement in any manner.
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Sub:- Commission decision on the appeal submitted by the HEI under Regulation 6 of Part II of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 for offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from academic year 2023-24, session beginning February, 2024 and onwards - regarding

Sir/Madam,

This is in continuation to the Commission Order of even number dated 07.11.2024 wherein the recommendations of the Interface Expert Committee were communicated to **Mangalayatan University, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh**.

2. As per the provisions under Regulation 6 of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020, the Higher Educational Institution was provided an opportunity to submit an appeal along with requisite fee and documentary evidence for the programme(s) not recognized as per the UGC letter cited in above para, if any, within 30 days from the date of the communication of assessment sheet of the Interface Expert Committee (as communicated in the said UGC letter).
3. The appeal along with documents submitted by the **Mangalayatan University, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh** were placed before duly constituted Standing Appellate Committee in the virtual meeting held on **27.02.2024**. The Standing Appellate Committee based on the appeal submitted alongwith documentary evidence, interaction with HEI's representatives and the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments; made recommendations for consideration of the Competent Authority/Commission.
4. Based on the recommendations of Standing Appellate Committee and its approval by Competent Authority/Commission, I am directed to issue this

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Order, thereby communicating the decision, on the appeal submitted by HEI for offering programmes in **Open and Distance Learning mode** from academic year 2023-24 session beginning from February, 2024 and onwards, by **Mangalayatan University, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh**. as detailed in point no. 5 below. The assessment sheet duly approved by Competent Authority has already been communicated to the Higher Educational Institution through UGC-DEB portal on 29.02.2023.

5. Programme-wise recognition status on appeal submitted by the HEI (communicated to the HEI through UGC-DEB web portal on 29.02.2024):

(i) Reversal of earlier decision: 01 (One)

S. No.	Name of the ODL Programme(s)	Period of Recognition
1	Bachelor of Arts (Journalism and Mass Communication)	2023-24, academic session beginning February, 2024 to 2028 -29 (upto July, 2028 only)

(ii) Appeal disposed off for the following programme(s): 02 (Two)

S. No.	Name of the ODL Programme(s)	Reason(s)
1	Master of Science (Chemistry)	SLM of the proposed programmes are not prepared as per UGC (ODL Programmes & Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.
2	Master of Science (Physics)	

6. For the programmes recognized in 5(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 and its amendments while offering the programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode. Some specific provisions for compliance have been mentioned in **Annexure-1**.

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

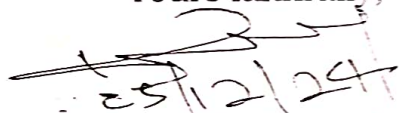
"No Higher Educational Institution shall offer any Open and Distance Learning Programme and/or Online Programme and admit learners thereto unless it has

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been granted recognition by the Commission and admission shall not be made in anticipation of the recognition”.

8. In the event of any Higher Educational Institution found offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning 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 shall take action(s) as per Regulations 7 of Part-II of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.
9. The application of the HEI for the academic year 2023-24, session beginning February, 2024 and onwards **stands closed**.
10. The decision of the Commission shall be final and binding on the Higher Educational Institution.

Yours faithfully,


(Dr. Naresh Pal Meena)
Education Officer

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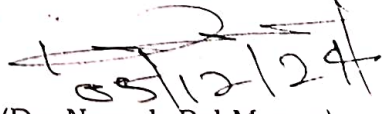
1. The Principal Secretary, Department of Higher Education, Sarojini Naidu Marg, Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh – 211 001 with a request to ensure that HEI adheres to all the provisions of the UGC (ODL Programmes & OL Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.
2. The Economic Advisor, Distance Learning Section, Ministry of Education, Govt of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi – 110 001.
3. The Vice Chancellor, Mangalayatan University, Aligarh-Mathura Highway, Beswan, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh – 202 146
4. The Deputy Secretary, (CPP-I/PÜ) University Bureau, UGC, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi -110 002
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Section Officer

Annexure-1**Specific Provisions for Compliance**

1. The Higher Educational Institution shall comply to all the terms and conditions mentioned in the Affidavit dated 27th October, 2023 duly notarized and signed by Brig. Sumar Vir Singh, Registrar and Prof. Masood Parveez, Director, submitted to the Commission.
2. HEI shall abide by the academic calendar as notified by the Commission and upload Student data on UGC DEB web portal within stipulated time.
3. Intake capacity of science based programme under Open and Distance Learning mode will be as follows:-
 - For Dual Mode University: Intake shall not be more than three times of the approved intake in conventional mode.
 - For Open University: Learner enrolment shall be commensurate with the capacity of the Learner Support Centers to provide lab facilities to the admitted learners.
4. The HEI shall scrupulously abide by all the terms and conditions regarding faculty and staff requirements for offering ODL/Online programmes as mentioned in Annexure-IV of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020. HEI shall ensure that the faculty members shown for each programme are on 'full time dedicated basis' and no faculty member of LSC/other institution is shown as faculty of the HEI.
5. The total deployment of work force and other support at study or Learner Support Centres in Open and Distance Learning mode shall be as mentioned in Regulations.
6. The HEI shall also adhere to the policy of Territorial Jurisdiction as specified in **Annexure-III** of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.
7. HEI shall establish "Examination Centre(s)" strictly as per **Annexure-II** of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and conduct proctored examination as under:
 - For ODL Programmes: Examination through pen-paper or online or computer based testing within Territorial Jurisdiction, in the examination centre as per condition laid down in Regulations.
 - For Online Programmes: Examinations either using Computer based test or pen and paper test in a proctored environment in designated test centre with all the security arrangements ensuring transparency and credibility of the examinations. It can also conduct online examination through technology mediated proctoring.
8. Programmes under the purview of regulatory authorities have been considered on the basis of NOC/ approval/ recommendation received from the respective regulatory authority. The HEI shall abide by the conditions such as the number of seats, valid academic year, etc. mentioned in the relevant regulatory authority letter.
9. HEI offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode shall ensure that a Learner Support Centre is established as per Regulations and fulfills following conditions:-
 - Learner Support Centre defined under these regulations shall not be the Learner Support Centre for more than two Higher Educational Institutions at a time to offer programmes in ODL mode.

- Private University established under the State Act shall be eligible to offer programmes under Open and Distance Learning mode through its Head Quarters; not through any Learner Support Centre.
 - Learner Support Centre will not be set up under a franchisee agreement in any manner.
10. HEI offering programme in ODL mode shall prepare Self Learning Material as per **Annexure-VI** and **Annexure-VII** of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 taking into consideration the following:
- At least 60 percent of Self Learning Materials shall be developed by the in-house faculty of the HEI
 - Remaining percent of the materials can be sourced from available resources such as other HEIs, Open Educational Resources (OER) and SWAYAM.
11. HEI shall adhere to the weightage for different components of assessments for Open and Distance Learning mode and Online mode as under:
- Continuous or formative assessment (in semester): Maximum 30 per cent.
 - Summative assessment (end semester examination or term end examination): Minimum 70 per cent.
12. HEI shall make mandatory disclosure(s) on its website as per Regulation 9 of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.
13. HEI shall establish Students' Grievances Redressal Committee (SGRC) and appoint Ombudsperson(s) at the Institute or University level as per University Grants Commission (Redressal of Grievances of Students) Regulations, 2023 and as amended from time to time.
14. HEI shall establish Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) as per **Annexure-I** of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 for offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode and/or Online mode. HEI shall also submit annual report of CIQA within stipulated time period.
15. HEI shall ensure that the delivery of Self Learning Material to learners for ODL programmes is as defined in **Annexure-VI** and **Annexure-VII** of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.
16. HEI shall mandatorily mention the following on the backside of each of the degrees/certificates and mark sheets issued by the Higher Educational Institution to the learners (for each semester certificate and at the end of the programme); as per Regulations 16 of UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020:
- Mode of delivery;
 - Date of admission;
 - Date of completion;
 - Name and address of all Learner Support Centres (only for Open and Distance Learning);
 - Name and address of all Examination Centres.


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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.
2. 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 Mangalayatan University, Aligarh, Uttar Pradesh for recognition of ODL programmes was assessed by Virtual Interface Expert Committee (IEC) and 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 meeting	Date of recommendation sheet shared with the HEI
For ODL Programmes:			
1.	Interface Expert Committee	29.08.2024	07.10.2024
2.	Interface Expert Committee (Under Consideration Programme)	23.10.2024	29.10.2024
3.	Standing Appellate Committee	24.10.2024	29.10.2024
4.	Standing Appellate Committee	16.12.2024	23.01.2025

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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.

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
1.	*BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (Hons) (4 years duration.)	2024-25 academic session beginning from October (revised from July-August, 2024) to 2028-29 (up to February, 2029 only)
2.	*BACHELOR OF COMMERCE (HONS) – (4 years duration).	

*The recommendation of the IEC have been reversed by the SAC.

- (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.	*#MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (2 years duration) (approved maximum intake 1200 learners).	2024-25 academic session beginning from February, 2025 to 2029-30 (up to July-August, 2029 only).

#MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MARKETING, FINANCE, HR, OPERATIONS) programme is recommended as MASTER of BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION programme.

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

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Reason for non-recognition
1.	BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) – (4 years duration)	Clarification regarding name of subject to be offered in proposed Bachelor of Arts (Hons) programme is not submitted.
2.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (CHEMISTRY) – (2 years duration)	SLM is not as per UGC (ODL Programmes & Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.
3.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (PHYSICS) – (2 years duration)	

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.

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

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