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**The Registrar
Acharya Nagarjuna University
Nagarjuna Nagar, Guntur
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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, academic session beginning October, 2024 (revised from July-August, 2024) and onwards-regarding.

Sir/Madam,

- 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 2024-25, academic session beginning October, 2024 (revised from July-August, 2024) vide Public Notice F. No. 1-16/2024 (DEB-I) dated 6th May, 2024.
- Application received from **Acharya Nagarjuna University, Andhra 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 (IEC)	04.09.2024	08.10.2024
		23.10.2024	29.10.2024
3.	Standing Appellate Committee (SAC)	16.12.2024	07.01.2025

- Based on the recommendations of Virtual Interface Expert Committee (IEC) and Standing Appellate Committee (SAC) 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 **ODL mode** from the academic year 2024-25, academic session beginning October, 2024 (revised from July-August, 2024) and onwards.

- Programme wise recognition status**

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- (i) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Recognized from academic session beginning October, 2024 (revised from July-August, 2024): 12 (Twelve)**

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Period of Recognition
1.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (COMPUTER SCIENCE) - 02 years	2024-25, academic session beginning October, 2024 (revised from July-August, 2024) to 2028-29 (up to January-February 2029 only)
2.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (FOOD & NUTRITION SCIENCE) - 02 years	
3.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (PSYCHOLOGY) - 02 years	
4.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (STATISTICS) - 02 years	
5.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS) - 02 years	
6.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (MICROBIOLOGY) - 02 years	
7.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (CHEMISTRY) - 02 years	
8.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (PHYSICS) - 02 years	
9.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (ZOOLOGY) - 02 years	
10.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (BOTANY) - 02 years	
11.	MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (GENERAL) - 02 years (learner intake shall be limited to 120)	
12.	MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS - 02 years (learner intake shall be limited to 120)	

Note: The Expert Committee has recommended that HEI shall adhere to the specified learner intake for MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (GENERAL) and MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS programmes listed in the table 5(i) above.

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

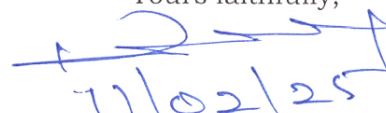
- (iii) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Not Recognised: 05 (Five)**

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Reason for non-recognition
1.	Bachelor of Science (Mathematics, Physics, Computer Science) - 03 years	Documentary evidence regarding HEI comply with the Regulation 26 of UGC (ODL programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 is not submitted.
2.	Bachelor of Science (Mathematics, Physics, Electronics) - 03 years	
3.	Bachelor of Science (Mathematics, Statistics, Computer Science) - 03 years	
4.	Bachelor of Science (Mathematics, Physics, Chemistry) - 03 years	
5.	Bachelor of Science (Botany, Zoology, Chemistry) - 03 years	

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6. For the programmes recognized as stated in Table 5(i) above, 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** mode.
7. The application of the HEI for academic year 2024-25, academic session beginning October, 2024 (revised from July-August, 2024) **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.

Yours faithfully,


7/10/25
(Dr. Naresh Pal Meena)
Education Officer

Copy to:

1. The Secretary, Higher Education, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana Secretariat, Khairatabad, Hyderabad, Telangana-500 004.
(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, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110 001.
3. The Joint Secretary, State University Bureau, UGC, 35-Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi - 110 001.


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