UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION DISTANCE EDUCATION BUREAU

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The list of Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) entitled to start full-fledged Online Programmes without prior approval of the UGC, as per provisions stipulated under Regulation 3(B)(a) of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments from academic year 2023-24, academic session beginning February, 2024 and onwards.

- (I) As mandated by the Regulations, online applications were submitted by the Entitled HEIs willing to offer programmes under online mode. Further, each HEI submitted affidavit for ensuring compliance to all the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments and also deposited prescribed fee as notified by the Commission.
- (II) The duly certified information submitted by the HEI, was to ascertain conformity to the following four provisions only:
 - 1. Entitlement eligibility criteria of the HEI.
 - 2. Permissibility of proposed programmes to be offered under online mode.
 - 3. Adherence to UGC Notification of Specification of Degrees, 2014 and its amendments.
 - 4. Prior approval of Regulatory Authority, wherever applicable.
- (III) Programmes under the ambit of Regulatory Authorities have been considered on the basis of communication/recommendations received from respective Regulatory Authority. The HEIs shall strictly abide by the conditions such as number of seats, recognition period, etc. mentioned in the relevant Regulatory Authority letter.
- (IV) The Regulations also mandate that the Entitled HEIs shall not offer online programmes under any franchise arrangement and shall have complete ownership of these programmes.
- (V) The HEIs are entitled to offer Online programmes, till they are complying NAAC or NIRF ranking requirements as per Regulation 3(B)(a) of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments and on non-compliance, they shall discontinue the programmes and accordingly, inform the same to the UGC. The learners already enrolled in the current entitled programmes shall be allowed to complete the programmes in the laid down manner as per the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.

- (VI) The List of entitled HEIs which have submitted the affidavit to ensure compliance to University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments and have been found complying with above mentioned provisions (as per (II) above), for academic year 2023-24, session beginning from February, 2024 and onwards is appended herewith.
- (VII) Higher Education Institution shall write 'UGC entitled as per University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments' instead of 'UGC recognized' at all places.
- (VIII) The Higher Educational Institution shall scrupulously abide by all the terms and conditions as stipulated under Parts III, IV and V of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 (including any amendments thereto) and shall take steps as stipulated under Annexure-I to VIII & Annexure-X of the said Regulations.
- (IX) UGC decision on last date of admission for offering ODL and Online programmes for academic year 2023-24, academic session beginning February, 2024 and the last date to upload the student admission details on UGC-DEB web portal is as under:
 - Last Date for Admission: 31st March, 2024.
 - Last Date for Submission of Student Data on the Portal: 15th April, 2024.
- (X) The Higher Educational Institutions have submitted an affidavit to the effect that in case any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the Higher Educational Institution is found to be false or wrong at a later stage or in case there is any violation of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments by the HEI, the Higher Educational Institution shall be solely liable and responsible for any such contravention/violation and for any consequences thereof (including career consequences of Learner). In such events, the HEI may also be subject to the consequences stipulated under Regulation 7 of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 (including any amendments thereto).

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Secretary

S.NO.	STATE	TYPE OF HEI	HEI NAME	NUMBER OF PROGRAMMES	ACADEMIC SESSION	NAME OF PROGRAMMES
						6) MASTER OF COMMERCE (INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS) 7) MASTER OF COMMERCE (ACCOUNTANCY) 8) MASTER OF ARTS (SOCIOLOGY) 9) MASTER OF ARTS (ECONOMICS) 10) MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION 11) MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATION
38.	PUNJAB	PRIVATE UNIVERSITY	Director Centre for Distance a	nd Online Education versity, Gharuan	ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-24, SESSION BEGINNING FEBRUARY, 2024	1) BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION 2) BACHELOR OF ARTS (JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION) 3) BACHELOR OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS 4) MASTER OF ARTS (JOURNALISM AND MASS COMMUNICATION) 5) MASTER OF COMMERCE 6) MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION 7) MASTER OF ARTS (LIBERAL ARTS) 8) MASTER OF ARTS (LIBERAL ARTS) 9) MASTER OF ARTS (ECONOMICS) 10) MASTER OF ARTS (ENGLISH) 11) MASTER OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS) 12) MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS
39.	PUNJAB	PRIVATE UNIVERSITY	CHITKARA UNIVERSITY	01	ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-24, SESSION BEGINNING FEBRUARY, 2024	1) MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION