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Opp. Railway Station Dimapur - 797112 Nagaland

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The Secretary
University Grants Commission
Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg
New Delhi - 110002

### **SUBJECT: INFORMATION SOUGHT UNDER RTI ACT 2005**

Sir,

I have great pleasure in asking the following questions for collecting the required information. I am enclosing an IPO for Rs. 10 only:

- Q.1: Are External (Private) candidates admitted in the University at pre-university, bachelor's and master's levels covered under the Distance Education Bureau (DEB) of the UGC?
- Q.2: Are non-collegiate external candidates admitted in the University at preuniversity, bachelor's and master's levels covered under the provisions of the Distance Education Bureau (DEB) of the UGC?
- Q.3: Is there any relaxation for the Universities from North-East / Nagaland for conducting Distance Education Programmes under DEB?
- Q.4: Can on-line examination be conducted by the Universities for non-attending external / private candidates admitted at Certificate / Diploma / Post Diploma / Pre University / Bachelor's / Master's levels?

Thanking you and looking forward to an early reply.

Sincerely yours,

Dr. Imotemsu Ao

# UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

Distance Education Bureau
DEC Building, IGNOU Campus, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi 110068
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Dr. S.K. Mishra Deputy Director & PIO

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Date: 13/03/2014

To.

Mr. Imotemsu Ao Opp. Railway Station, Dimapur, Nagaland-797 112

Sub: Information under the RTI Act, 2005-Reg.

Dear Mr. Imotemsu Ao.

This has reference to your application dated 04.02,2014 forwarded by the Section Officer, UGC vide Notesheet No. F.1-33418/2014(RIA) dated: 12.02,2014 and received at DEB on 14.02,2014 seeking certain information under RTI Act (2005). This is to inform that Distance Education Council (DEC) under IGNOU has been dissolved and its regulatory authority has been transferred to UGC. The reply is given as under:

| Question<br>of the<br>Applicant | Reply   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| (1)                             | External/private candidates admitted in the university at any level are not covered under provisions of DEB of UGC.   |
| (2)                             | Non-Collegiate external candidate admitted in the university at any level are not covered under<br>provisions of DEB of UGC.  |
| (3)                             | There was relaxation for the Universities from North-East & J&K for offering ODL programme which is as under:  The 38 <sup>th</sup> meeting of the distance education council beld on 24th december, 2010 decided that "it will be mandatory for every Institution applying to DEC to complete at least one cycle i.e. 3 years before DEC to consider the application for recognition. In case of those Institutions that have applied to the DEC for recognition and have been visited by the Expert Committees, these can affer programme only after completion of 3 years of existence. It was also decided that these conditions would not apply to the states of North-Eastern Region and Jammu & Kashmir, wherein the policy of Govt. of India is to promote education with a view to bring them in the mainstream".  However, new ODL regulations are under consideration. |
| (4)                             | On-line examination can not be conducted by the universities for non-attending<br>external/private candidates admitted at any level.  |

Dr. Nalini Lele is the Appellate Authority of DEB, UGC, IGNOU Campus, Maidan Garhi, New Delhi-110068, Phone-011-29533340, Fax-011-29536668.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully

(S.K. Mishra)
Deputy Director & PIO

21 March 2014

Dr. Shakeel Ahmad Deputy Secretary/PIO (CPP-II) University Grants Commission Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg New Delhi - 110 002

### **SUB.: INFORMATION SOUGHT UNDER RTI ACT 2005**

Sir,

Kindly furnish information / reply regarding the following queries :

- **Question 1** Are Statutory Universities empowered to register students as Private (External) candidates in accordance with the norms prescribed by the University?
- **Question 2** Do Statutory Universities require the approval of the UGC for collaboration with the industry for conducting work integrated lifelong learning programmes / industry integrated programmes at the Bachelor's / Master's levels?
- **Question 3** Do Statutory Universities require the approval of UGC for conducting Certificate / Diploma Programmes for improving the skills of the young boys and girls in the country ?
- **Question 4** In a reply to the unstarred question number 6831 answered by the Union Minister of State for HRD Dr. Shashi Tharoor on 8 May 2013, the following has been said to the question "Whether certain Universities are running some courses as Diploma as well as Degree simultaneously and if so the Union Government has accorded recognition to such courses":

Answer by Hon'ble Dr. Shashi Tharoor: "Universities are autonomous in nature and have the full freedom to take any administrative or academic decision including the courses that are to be offered to the students. The Central Government has no role to play in such matters and hence such data is not maintained centrally. The UGC only lays down standards for maintaining quality in higher education but it does not specify Diploma programmes nor has it laid down regulations for Diploma level programmes. A University may offer Degree as well as Diploma programmes simultaneously".

The PIO may kindly confirm whether this reply has been made.

I am attaching an Indian Postal Order for Rs.10 towards the fee. Kindly send the reply on my address as soon as possible.

Thanking you,

Sincerely yours,

Sakshi Joshi

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F.No.1-2/2009 (CPP-II)

Ms. Sakshi Joshi, New Delhi – 110 062.

Subject: - Information under RTI Act, 2005.

Madam,

With reference to your letter dated 21.03.2014 on the above subject, I am to say as under:

Point no 1. Statutory Universities are empowered to register students as Private (External) candidates in accordance with the norms prescribed by the University and the regulations notified by the UGC.

Point no 3. Diploma courses are not specified by UGC and can be offered by statutory university with the due approval of the competent governing councils.

Point no 4. UGC has not framed any policy/norms on pursuing two degrees/diplomas/certificates simultaneously either through regular/distance mode/part-time mode from the same university or different universities. However, the matter is under consideration of the Commission.

The Appellate Authority is Sh. Upamanyu Basu, Financial Advisor, University Grants Commission, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi – 110002 Ph. No. 23235729 (O) 23231814 (Fax).

Yours faithfully,

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(Hemang A. Desai) Education Officer and PIO

Copy to:-

 S.O. (RIA), UGC, New Delhi (Ref.F.No. 1- 34599/2014 (RIA) dt- 26.03.2014). Rest of the information will be provided by the CPP-I Section

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(Sunita Kalra) Section Officer 21 March 2014

Dr. S.K. Mishra
Deputy Director and PIO
UGC-Distance Education Bureau
IGNOU Campus, Maidan Garhi
New Delhi - 110068

## **SUB.: INFORMATION SOUGHT UNDER RTI ACT 2005**

Sir,

Kindly furnish information / reply regarding the following queries :

**Question 1** Does the Private (External) registration of students in a Statutory University come under the ambit of the Distance Education Bureau?

**Question 2** Does the Non-Collegiate Student registration as the Private (External) candidate come under the ambit of the Distance Education Bureau?

The PIO may kindly confirm whether this reply has been made.

I am attaching an Indian Postal Order for Rs.10 towards the fee. Kindly send the reply on my address as soon as possible.

Thanking you,

Sincerely yours,

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To.

Ms. Sakshi Joshi New Delhi- 110062

Sub: Information under the RTI Act, 2005-Reg.

Dear Ms. Joshi,

This has reference to your application dated 21.03.2014 and received at DEB on 24.03.2014 seeking certain information under RTI Act (2005). The reply is given as under:

| Question<br>of the<br>Applicant | UGC Reply   |
|---------------------------------|---|
| 1.                              | The matter regarding Private (External) registration of students in a Statutory<br>University does not come under the ambit of the Distance Education Bureau. |
| 2.                              | The matter regarding Non-Collegiate Student registration as the private (External) candidate does not come under the ambit of the Distance Education Bureau.  |

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