

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
DISTANCE EDUCATION BUREAU

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List of Category-I HEIs entitled to offer Open and Distance Learning (ODL) programmes for academic year 2023-24, academic session beginning February, 2024.

- I. UGC in its 563rd Commission meeting held on 22nd November 2022 decided that Category-I HEIs (notified by UGC as per UGC (Categorization of Universities (only) for Grant of Graded Autonomy) Regulations, 2018 and its amendments) willing to offer programmes under Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from Jan-Feb 2023 academic session shall submit information to UGC. HEI is also required to submit an 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.
- II. Based on the above Commission decision, all Category-I HEIs willing to offer Open and Distance Learning programmes for academic year 2023-24 academic session beginning February, 2024, submitted the information along with prescribed fees, affidavit and supporting documents to the UGC. The information collected from the HEIs was only to ascertain conformity to the following provisions:
 1. Verification of Category-I Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) entitlement as notified by UGC.
 2. Permissibility of proposed programmes to be offered under ODL mode.
 3. Adherence to UGC Notification of Specification of Degrees, 2014 and its amendments.
 4. Prior approval of Regulatory Authority, wherever applicable.
- III. The name of Category-I HEIs, along with the programmes found in compliance to University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments for offering Open and Distance Learning programmes for academic year 2023-24 academic session beginning February, 2024 and onwards is enclosed herewith.
- IV. The HEIs are entitled to offer the ODL programmes for the period, till they are Category-I HEIs as per the relevant UGC notifications /regulations and if not, **they shall discontinue the programmes and inform the same to UGC.** The learners already enrolled in the currently entitled programmes shall be allowed to complete the programmes in the manner laid down as per the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.
- V. **Programmes under the purview of other regulatory authorities have been considered on the basis of NOC/ approval/ recommendation received from the respective regulatory authority. The HEI shall strictly abide by the conditions such as the number of seats, valid academic year, etc. mentioned in the relevant regulatory authority letter.**

- VI. Higher Education Institution shall write 'UGC entitled as per University Grants Commission (Categorization of Universities (only) for Grant of Graded Autonomy) Regulations, 2018 and its amendment(s)' instead of 'UGC recognised' at all places.
- VII. 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 and its amendments (including any amendments thereto) and shall take steps as stipulated under Annexure-I to VIII & Annexure-X of the said regulations.
- 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 session beginning February, 2024 academic session 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	LIST OF RECOGNISED PROGRAMMES UNDER CATEGORY – I For ACADEMIC SESSION BEGINNING FEBRUARY, 2024	
				NO. OF PROGRAMMES RECOGNISED	NAME OF THE PRAOGRAMMES
1.	ANDHRA PRADESH	STATE UNIVERSITY	ANDHRA UNIVERSITY	33	1) BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (POLITICAL SCIENCE, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, GEOGRAPHY) 2) BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (POLITICAL SCIENCE, ECONOMICS, GEOGRAPHY) 3) BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, POLITICAL SCIENCE, SOCIOLOGY) 4) BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (HISTORY, POLITICAL SCIENCE, SOCIOLOGY) 5) BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (HISTORY, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION, POLITICAL SCIENCE) 6) BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (HISTORY, ECONOMICS, POLITICS) 7) BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (MATHEMATICS, PHYSICS, GEOGRAPHY) 8) BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (CHEMISTRY, BOTANY, ZOOLOGY) 9) BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (MATHEMATICS, STATISTICS, COMPUTER SCIENCE) 10) BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (MATHEMATICS, PHYSICS, COMPUTER SCIENCE)

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					31) MASTER OF SCIENCE (PSYCHOLOGY) 32) MASTER OF COMMERCE 33) MASTER OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS)
2.	ANDHRA PRADESH	DEEMED-TO-BE-UNIVERSITY	GANDHI INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY AND MANAGEMENT (GITAM)	03	1) BACHELOR OF COMMERCE 2) BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS - POLITICS, PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND SOCIOLOGY) 3) MASTER OF ARTS (ENGLISH)
3.	GUJARAT	STATE OPEN UNIVERSITY	DR. BABASAHEB AMBEDKAR OPEN UNIVERSITY	04	1) BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) (CYBER SECURITY) 2) MASTER OF ARTS (INDIAN KNOWLEDGE SYSTEM) 3) MASTER OF SCIENCE (DATA SCIENCE) 4) MASTER OF ARTS (HINDU STUDIES)
4.	HARYANA	STATE UNIVERSITY	KURUKSHETRA UNIVERSITY	26	1) BACHELOR OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS 2) BACHELOR OF COMMERCE 3) BACHELOR OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCES 4) BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (GENERAL) 5) BACHELOR OF EDUCATION 6) MASTER OF ARTS (HINDI) 7) MASTER OF ARTS (ENGLISH) 8) MASTER OF ARTS (SANSKRIT) 9) MASTER OF ARTS (PUNJABI) 10) MASTER OF ARTS (POLITICAL SCIENCE) 11) MASTER OF ARTS (PHILOSOPHY)

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				NO. OF PROGRAMMES RECOGNISED	NAME OF THE PRAOGRAMMES
					57) MASTER OF COMMERCE 58) MASTER OF ARTS (PSYCHOLOGY) 59) MASTER OF ARTS (PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION) 60) MASTER OF ARTS (POLITICAL SCIENCE) 61) MASTER OF ARTS (ECONOMICS) 62) MASTER OF ARTS (URDU) 63) MASTER OF ARTS (SANSKRIT) 64) MASTER OF ARTS (TELUGU) 65) MASTER OF ARTS (HISTORY) 66) MASTER OF ARTS (HINDI) 67) MASTER OF ARTS (PHILOSOPHY) 68) MASTER OF ARTS (SOCIOLOGY) 69) MASTER OF ARTS (ENGLISH) 70) MASTER OF ARTS (PUBLIC PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT) 71) MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION 72) MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

Note:

1. The HEIs shall comply with all provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.
2. The last date for admission shall be as notified by the Commission for each academic session and HEIs shall upload the admission details within fifteen days thereafter. For academic session February, 2024, the last date of admission is **31st March, 2024.**
3. The list shall be updated from time to time, as required. Accordingly, the stakeholders are requested to refer to the various public notices on UGC DEB website (<https://deb.ugc.ac.in/notices/NewNotices>), which are updated from time to time.