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**F.No. 30-9/2024 (DEB-II)**

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The Registrar  
Sri Chandrasekharandra Saraswati Vishwa Mahavidyalaya  
Enathur, Kanchipuram-631 561  
Tamil Nadu

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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,

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 2024-25, academic session beginning October, 2024 (revised from July-August 2024) vide Public Notice F. No. 1-16/2024 (DEB-I) dated 6<sup>th</sup> May, 2024.
3. Application received from **Sri Chandrasekharandra Saraswati Vishwa Mahavidyalaya, Tamil Nadu** for recognition of **ODL** programmes was assessed by Visiting Expert Committee (VEC) and Expert Review Committee (ERC) 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.	Virtual Expert Committee (VEC)	19.09.2024 & 20.09.2024	16.10.2024
2.	Expert Review Committee (ERC)	10.10.2024	

4. The report of the VEC was considered by the ERC. Based on the recommendations of ERC 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 academic year 2024-25, academic session beginning October, 2024 (revised from July-August 2024) and onwards.

5. **Programme wise recognition status**


(i) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Recognized: 02 (Two)**

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Period of Recognition
1.	BACHELOR OF ARTS (SANSKRIT)-3 Years	2024-25, academic session beginning from October, 2024 (revised from July-August, 2024) to 2028-29 (upto January-February, 2029 only)
2.	MASTER OF ARTS (SANSKRIT)-2 Years	

(ii) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Not Recognised: NIL**

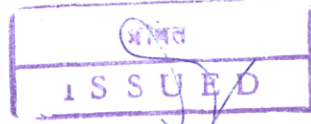
6. For the programmes recognized in the aforementioned table, the HEI shall comply with all the provisions of the UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments while offering the programmes in **ODL** mode.
7. The application of the HEI for academic year 2024-25, academic 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,

  
**(Dr. Naresh Pal Meena)**  
Education Officer

**Copy to:**

1. The Secretary, Higher Education, Government of Tamil Nadu, National Informatic Centre, Ground floor, Multi Storeyed Building, Namakkal Kavinagar Maaligai, Fort St. George, Chennai 600 009.  
(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, Deemed to be University Bureau, UGC, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi -110 002.



  
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