

GURU JAMBHESHWAR UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY HISAR
(Established by State Legislature Act 17 of 1995)
"A" Grade, NAAC Accredited

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To

The Education Officer,
DEB UGC,
35, Feroze Shah Road,
New Delhi - 110001

Sub: Compliance report regarding DEB UGC Letter no. F.No. 86-2/2017(DEB-IV) dated 06.02.2020 on the subject *"Withholding the recognition of ODL programmes from academic session January, 2020 and onwards in respect of Guru Jambheshwar University of Science & Technology, Haryana."*

Sir/Madam,

It is with reference to the subject cited above regarding the compliance of above said letter of DEB UGC (F.No. 86-2/2017, DEB-IV dated 06.02.2020).

The following compliance has been done in accordance to the decision taken by the UGC Commission on the basis of report of Visiting Expert Committee (VEC) and Expert Review Committee (ERC) for the 11 programmes of Directorate of Distance Education of this University which has been approved by DEB UGC upto 2022-23 vide its letter no. F.No. 86-2/2017(DEB-IV) dated 14.08.2018 and F.No. 86-2/2017(DEB-IV) dated 18.10.2018.

The committee's observations were as follows:

S. No.	Name of the Programme(s)	Deficiency(s)
1.	MASTER OF ARTS (MASS COMMUNICATION)	<ol style="list-style-type: none">1. SLMs and PPRs require to be revised in consonance with the provision of the UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017.2. There is an urgent need to comply with Regulations, 2017 on various parameters: faculty, proper structures of SLMs and PPRs, approvals from the Statutory bodies of the HEI.
2.	MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION	
3.	MASTER OF COMMERCE	
4.	MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATION	
5.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (COMPUTER SCIENCE)	
6.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS)	
7.	BACHELOR OF ARTS	
8.	BACHELOR OF ARTS (MASS COMMUNICATION)	
9.	BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION	
10.	BACHELOR OF COMMERCE	
11.	MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATION (5 YEARS INTEGRATED)	

The committee also observed as follows:

"The infrastructure available at the HEI in terms of computers, space, library, Internet, Networking and other facilities, administrative staff etc., is

excellent. The HEI has got A+ NAAC accreditation. However, the HEI requires to pay focused attention on its ODL programmes. As already indicated, there is an urgent need to comply with the requirements of UGC (ODL) Regulation 2017 on various parameters: faculty, proper structures of SLMs and PPRs, approvals from the Statutory bodies of the HEI. If the HEI removes implements the suggestion made by the Expert Committee, it can potentially be an excellent place for the dissemination of knowledge through ODL mode".

Compliance and action taken by the University are as under:

1. **Programme Project Report (PPR):** The PPRs of all the 11 programmes listed above have been revised as per UGC (ODL) Regulation, 2017 as given in Annexure-9 "Guidelines on Programme Project Report (PPR)" and same is approved by the University Statutory Bodies, i.e., Academic Council and Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) of Distance Education. (Annexure-A)

2. **Self-Learning Material (SLM):** The Visiting Expert Committee pointed out that structure of SLM is required to be revised with reference to the points i.e. *programme objective, check your progress and self-assessment test*. The guidelines of the development of Self Learning Material of Distance Education have now been revised and updated as per UGC (ODL) Regulation, 2017 as given in Annexure -8 "Guidelines on Preparation of Self Learning Material" and same is approved by the University Statutory Bodies, i.e., Academic Council and Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) of Distance Education. (Annexure-B). Further, the following action has also been taken for the Development/ Revision of SLM.

(i) The work of the updation and changes in existing study material of Distance Education as per the above said revised guidelines of SLM has been completed for some of the courses and will be completed upto June, 2020 by various skilled authors.

(ii) Directorate of Distance Education has adopted the Scheme and Syllabi of 07 programmes out of 11 programmes (i.e. more than 50% of the approved programmes) at par with regular mode for the compliance of decision of UGC Commission taken in its 538th meeting held on 29.01.2019 circulated vide letter no. F.No. 1-23/2018(DEB-I) dated 10.05.2019. The common examinations held in December, 2019 for the following 07 programmes were conducted along with the regular students of the University:

S.No.	PROGRAMMES
1.	MASTER OF ARTS (MASS COMMUNICATION)
2.	MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
3.	MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS
4.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (COMPUTER SCIENCE)
5.	MASTER OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS)
6.	BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
7.	BACHELOR OF COMMERCE

3. **Faculty requirements:** As per the UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 as given in Annexure-VI, "Academic and Infrastructural Requirements", Point no. 2 i.e. Academic staff strength which is reproduced as under:

"At least two faculty member (full time-dedicated for Open and Distance Learning (ODL) courses) per discipline or specialisation or programme at Associate and Assistant Professor level."

It is mentioned that there were 11 faculty members during the visit of Visiting Expert Committee (VEC) on 28th & 29th November, 2019. The Directorate of Distance Education is now having 16 faculty members till date for 6 disciplines, i.e., Management, Computer, Commerce, Mathematics, Mass Communication and Arts. Further, the Directorate of Distance Education is providing the Undergraduate as well as Post Graduate programmes in 3 disciplines only i.e., Management, Commerce and Mass Communication. The details of faculty members discipline/programme-wise is as under:

S. No.	Discipline	Programme	Name of the Full Time Dedicated Faculty	Remarks
(i).	Management	MBA	1. Dr. Anjali Gupta, Assistant Professor in Management transferred to Distance Education as Dr. Sanjay Tiwari, Associate Professor expired due to heart attack on 18.04.2020 2. Ms. Deepika, Assistant Professor (On contract basis)	For Management discipline, for UG & PG programmes i.e. MBA & BBA, Directorate is having 2 faculty members and the Directorate/the University withdraws the BBA Programme w.e.f. June, 2020 in view of compliance of (ODL) Regulations, 2017
(ii).		BBA	1. Ms. Deepika, Assistant Professor (On contract basis)	
(iii).	Computers	MCA- 3years	1. Sh.Vinod, Assistant Professor 2. Mr. Neeraj, Assistant Professor (On contract basis)	For Computer Science Discipline for 3 programmes i.e. MCA, M.Sc.(CS) & MCA 5 Years Integrated, Directorate is having 4 faculty members. Directorate/ the University withdraws the M.Sc. (Computer Science). Programme w.e.f. June, 2020 in view of compliance of (ODL) Regulations, 2017.
(iv).		M.Sc. (CS)	1. Ms. Ritu, Assistant Professor (On contract basis) 2. Ms. Kapila, Assistant Professor (On contract basis)	
(v).		MCA- 5 years Integrated	1. Ms. Ritu, Assistant Professor (On contract basis) 2. Ms. Kapila, Assistant Professor (On contract basis)	

(vi).	Commerce	B. Com	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sh. Ankit, Assistant Professor (On contract basis) 2. Ms. Chand Kiran, Assistant Professor (On contract basis) 3. Ms. Poonam, Assistant Professor (On contract basis) 	For Commerce discipline for UG & PG programmes i.e. B.Com. & M.Com. Directorate is having 3 faculty members.
(vii).		M.Com.		
(viii).	Mathematics	M.Sc. (Mathematics)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Vizender Singh, Assistant Professor 2. Sh. Vijay Kumar Tripathi, Assistant Professor (On contract basis) 	In Mathematics discipline, for M.Sc. (Mathematics), Directorate is having 02 faculty members.
(ix).	Mass Communication	B.A. (Mass Communication)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Sunaina, Assistant Professor 2. Ms. Kushum Lata, Assistant Professor (On contract basis) 3. Dr. Pankaj Khurana (on contract basis) 	For Mass Communication discipline for UG & PG programmes i.e. B.A. (Mass Comm.) & M.A. (Mass Comm.). Directorate is having 03 faculty members.
(x).		M.A. (Mass Communication)		
(xi).	Arts	B.A.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Dr. Shakuntla Devi, Assistant Professor (On contract basis) 2. Ms. Rekha Sahu Assistant Professor (On contract basis) 	In Arts Discipline for B.A. (Arts) Directorate is having 02 faculty members.

4. **Regarding M.Sc. (Computer Science):** The compliance regarding approval for awarding of M.Sc. (Computer Science) degree after completion of two years of MCA and a student can exit from the programme is attached (Annexure-C). Further, HEI is not offering M.Sc. (Computer Science) in regular mode. Therefore, Directorate of Distance Education is withdrawing the approval of M.Sc. (Computer Science).

The following recommendations of the Visiting Expert Committee, which is reproduced on page 1 and on the basis of above compliance, it is further submitted that,

1. Guru Jambheshwar University of Science & Technology, Hisar is offering the Distance Education programmes since 1997. The University has been awarded A Grade by NAAC consecutively 3 times coupled with significant NIRF ranking. The University has been ranked as one of the top technical University in survey of India Today group. The University is getting grants through various research projects/ schemes funded by Central/State agencies. The Scopus based h-Index of the University is 82.
2. It is clearly evident from the report of the Visiting Expert Committee that Computer, Space, Library, Internet working, Academic resources, ICT, Administrative Staff and other facilities are excellent. Further, they have also admired that admission process, assignments, PCP