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F.No.: 88-2/2017 (DEB-IV)

Date: October, 2018

The Registrar,
SMT Nathibai Damodar Thackersey Womens University
Sir Vithal Das Vidyavihar Juhutara Road
Santacruz West Mumbai 400049
Maharashtra

Sub: Commission decision on the HEI's representation submitted for review of programmes found deficient, for recognition for 2018-19 onwards to be offered in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode - regarding.

Sir/Madam,

The Higher Educational Institution shall comply to all the terms and conditions

This is in continuation to the UGC letter No. F.No. **88-2/2017 (DEB-IV)** dated 16.08.2018, wherein the details of programmes recognised for 2018-19 onwards and programmes found deficient along with deficiencies and other relevant information/conditions were communicated to **SMT. Nathibai Damodar Thackersey Womens University.**

2. As per the provision at clause 4 (i) of sub-regulation (3) of Part- II of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and the decision of the Commission in its 534th meeting held on 2nd August, 2018, for the programmes found deficient as per the UGC letter cited in above para, the Higher Educational Institution had been provided an opportunity to submit representation along with documentary evidence, if any, within 30 days from the date of the said UGC letter.

3. The representation along with documentary evidence submitted by the **SMT. Nathibai Damodar Thackersey Womens University** on **14th September, 2018** for review and the justifications given by the HEI representatives during the hearing, were considered by the duly constituted Expert Review Committee in the meeting held on **19th September, 2018** at UGC, 35 Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi. The Expert Review Committee based on the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments; made recommendations for consideration of the Commission.

4. Based on the decision of the Commission in its 535th Meeting dated 27th September, 2018, I am directed to issue this Order, thereby communicating the Commission decision, on the representation received, for programme wise recognition status of the programmes to be offered in Open and Distance Learning mode from academic year 2018-19 onwards by the **SMT. Nathibai Damodar Thackersey Womens University, in addition to programmes already recognized vide letter mentioned in Para 1 above**, as detailed in point no. 5 below.

5. Programme wise recognition status based on representation:

5(A) Programmes Recognised

S. No.	Name of the Programme	Period of Recognition*
1	BACHELOR OF ARTS	2018-19 to 2019-20
2	BACHELOR OF COMMERCE	
3	MASTER OF ARTS (ECONOMICS)	

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4	MASTER OF ARTS (HINDI)	2018-19 to 2019-20
5	MASTER OF ARTS (EDUCATION)	
6	MASTER OF ARTS (MARATHI)	
7	MASTER OF COMMERCE	

* As HEI NAAC score is below 3.26, the recognition given is only up to the academic year 2018-19 to 2019-20, based on the UGC (ODL) Second Amendment Regulations, 2018. The list of recognised Learner Support Centres/Study Centres will be available shortly on UGC website.

5(B) Programmes Not Recognised

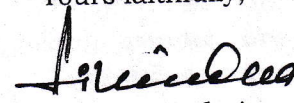
S. No.	Name of the Programme	Reasons
1	BACHELOR OF MANAGEMENT STUDIES	Withdrawn by the HEI
2	BACHELOR OF MASS MEDIA	
3	MASTER OF ARTS CAREER AND DEVELOPMENTAL COUNSELLING	
4	MASTER OF ARTS (ENGLISH)	
5	MASTER OF ARTS (GUJARATI)	
6	MASTER OF ARTS (HISTORY)	
7	MASTER OF ARTS (MUSIC)	

6. For the programmes recognised in 5(A) above, the Higher Educational Institution shall scrupulously abide in letter and spirit by all the terms and conditions, while offering the programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode, as per the provisions detailed in Part-III, Part-IV, Part-V, Part-VI and Annexure-I to Annexure-XI of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments. Some specific conditions as per UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 & its amendments are given in **Annexure-1**.

7. For the programmes not recognised in 5(B) above, the Higher Educational Institution may prefer an appeal to the Commission, if any, along with fee of Rupees ten thousand per programme in the form of demand draft drawn in favour of Secretary, UGC, within 30 days from the date of this order, as per the provision of sub-regulation (5) of Part- II of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and decision of the Commission in its 534th Meeting dated 02.08.2018.

8. If the HEI fails to comply with the conditions of recognition or if it is found conducting affairs in a manner that leads to deterioration of academic standards, or if any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the HEI is found to be false or fake at a later date, UGC shall take action as per Regulation (4) Part -II of UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017.

Yours faithfully,


(Jitendra)
Education Officer

Copy to:

1 The Secretary, Higher Education, Government of Maharashtra, Mantralaya, Annexe Building, Mumbai, Maharashtra - 400032 with a request to ensure that HEI adheres to all the provisions of the UGC(ODL) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments.

2. The Joint Secretary (Distance Learning), MHRD, Govt of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110 001.
3. The Vice-Chancellor, **SMT Nathibai Damodar Thackersey Womens University**
Sir Vithal Das Vidyavihar Juhutara Road Sntacruz West mumbai 400049
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4. The Joint Secretary, State University Bureau, UGC for information.
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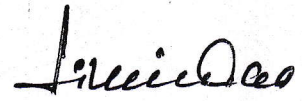
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6	MASTER OF ARTS (HISTORY)
7	MASTER OF ARTS (MUSIC)

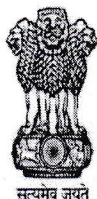
For the programmes recognised in 5(A) above, the Higher Educational Institution

Conditions

- 1 The total intake capacity (Number of learners) in Open and Distance Learning mode in Higher Educational Institution and/or Learner Support Centre/Study Centre shall be as mentioned in clause 6 of Annexure-X of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and subsequent amendment.
- 2 The Higher Educational Institution shall offer only those programmes through Open and Distance Learning mode, which are approved by the statutory bodies of the University and by UGC and by the Regulatory Authority, as applicable.
- 3 The Higher Educational Institution shall not offer any programme in engineering, Medicine, dental, pharmacy, nursing, architecture, physiotherapy and programmes not permitted to be offered in distance mode by any other regulatory body.
- 4 The Higher Educational Institution shall comply to all the terms and conditions mentioned in (1) Affidavit dated 27th April, 2018 duly notarized and signed by Dr. Meena Prakash Kute, Registrar, submitted to the Commission vide letter dated 27th April, 2018.
- 5 The Higher Educational Institution shall not offer any M.Phil/Ph.D Programme through distance learning mode in compliance to clause 11 of the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil. /Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations, 2013.
- 6 The HEI shall establish Examination Centre within the territorial jurisdiction of the HEI subject to condition laid down in clause 7 (i) to (v) of section 13 in Part-IV.
- 7 In case, Higher Educational Institution fails to comply with the conditions of recognition, appropriate punitive action(s), as per provisions of the UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments, shall be taken by the Commission.
- 8 The SMT Nathibai Damodar Thackersey Women's University, Maharashtra shall adhere to the policy of territorial jurisdiction as specified in Annexure-IV of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.


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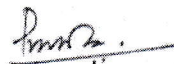
ODL Programmes-Important Decisions for the Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs)

1. The updated recognition status of the Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) to offer ODL programmes for the academic year 2018-19, academic sessions beginning July, 2018 and onwards (consolidated recognition status was uploaded on 3rd October, 2018 with admission cut off date as 20th October, 2018) and January, 2019 and onwards, is available on the UGC website at www.ugc.ac.in/deb.
2. HEIs may start admission process in the programmes recognised as per the programme recognition status available on the UGC website for the academic session beginning January, 2019 and onwards.
3. For the HEIs which have been recognised for offering ODL programmes for 2018-19, academic session beginning January 2019 and onwards, as per the recognition list, UGC Orders having details of the programmes recognised/found deficient/not recognised with reason(s) thereof are being issued separately.
4. For the programmes found deficient/not recognized as per the provisions of UGC (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017, HEIs will be provided an opportunity to make representation/appeal, as applicable, within 30 days from the date of UGC letter which will be communicated in due course of time. This clause shall not be applicable for the appeals submitted.
5. The proposals of University of Mumbai, Mumbai, MATS University, Chhattisgarh and Sikkim Manipal University, Sikkim will be further assessed through Expert Committee visits and the proposal of Jamia Millia Islamia, Delhi is being processed. These HEIs will be informed separately.
6. Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) are required to comply with all the provisions of the UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments. If any deviation by the HEI is noticed, the same would entail not only withdrawal of permission/recognition for such ODL courses but also for other courses offered by the institutions, on regular and conventional mode; as per the UGC Public Notice notified on 20th November, 2018.
7. **Time limit for completion of admission process for offering ODL programmes by HEIs:**

The Commission in its 537th meeting held on 10.12.2018 has decided the time limit for completion of admission process by the HEIs for offering ODL programmes as mentioned below:

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| a) Academic session for January | - admission last date February end |
| b) Academic session for July | - admission last date August end |

The Commission has also directed that the HEIs shall upload the admission details within ten days from the last date of the admissions in the respective academic session i.e. 10th September for July academic session and 10th March for January academic session. Accordingly, the HEIs shall comply with the above decision of Commission.


SECRETARY

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
Distance Education Bureau

F.No. 1-18/2018 (DEB-I)

Dated: 31-12-2018

S.NO	STATE	NAME/CATEGORY OF HEI	PERIOD OF RECOGNITION	LIST OF PROGRAMMES RECOGNISED FOR 2018-19, ACADEMIC SESSION BEGINNING JULY, 2018 AND ONWARDS		LIST OF PROGRAMMES RECOGNISED FOR 2018-19, ACADEMIC SESSION BEGINNING JANUARY, 2019 AND ONWARDS	
				NUMBER OF RECOGNISED PROGRAMMES	NAME OF RECOGNISED PROGRAMMES	NUMBER OF RECOGNISED PROGRAMMES	NAME OF RECOGNISED PROGRAMMES
					28) MASTER OF LIBRARY INFORMATION SCIENCE 29) MASTER OF ARTS (ENGLISH) 30) MASTER OF SCIENCE (ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE) 31) MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATION 32) MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION		
38	MAHARASHTRA	SMT. NATHIBAI DAMODAR THACKERSEY WOMENS UNIVERSITY (STATE UNIVERSITY)	2018-19 TO 2019-20	9	1) BACHELOR OF ARTS 2) BACHELOR OF COMMERCE 3) MASTER OF ARTS (ECONOMICS) 4) MASTER OF ARTS (HINDI) 5) MASTER OF ARTS (EDUCATION) 6) MASTER OF ARTS (MARATHI) 7) MASTER OF COMMERCE 8) MASTER OF ARTS (POLITICAL SCIENCE) 9) MASTER OF ARTS (SOCIOLOGY)	1	MASTER OF ARTS (HISTORY)
39	MAHARASHTRA	PADMASHREE DR. D.Y. PATIL VIDYAPEETH, MUMBAI (DEEMED TO)	2018-19 TO 2022-23	2	1. BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION 2. BACHELOR OF SCIENCE	1	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (CULINARY STUDIES)



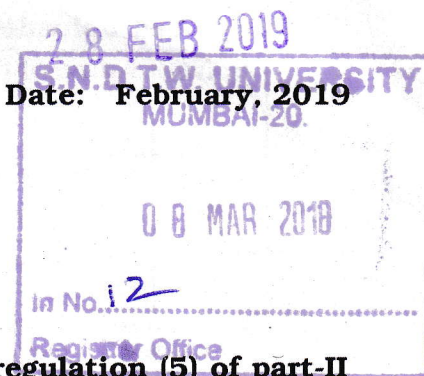
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Date: February, 2019

The Registrar,
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Sub: Commission decision on the appeal under sub-regulation (5) of part-II of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning 2017) Regulations, submitted by HEI for offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from academic year 2018-19, session beginning from January, 2019 and onwards - regarding.

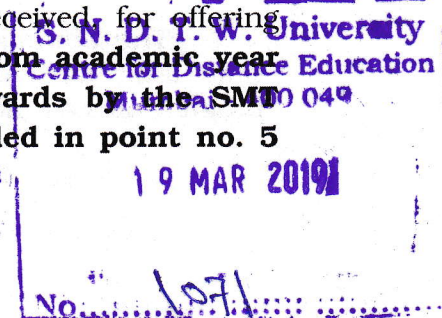
Sir/Madam,

This is in continuation to the UGC Orders of even number dated **16th August, 2018** and **18th October, 2018** wherein the details of programmes recognized for 2018-19 onwards and programmes not recognized were communicated to **SMT Nathibai Damodar Thackersey Womens University**.

2. As per the provisions under sub-regulation (5) of part-II of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning 2017) Regulations and the decision of the Commission it is 535th meeting held on 27th September, 2018, for the programmes not recognized as per the UGC letter cited in above Para, the Higher Educational Institution had been provided an opportunity to submit an appeal along with requisite fee and documentary evidence, if any within 30 days from the date of the said UGC letter.

3. The appeal along with documents submitted by the **SMT Nathibai Damodar Thackersey Womens University** was placed before duly constituted Standing Appellate Committee in the meeting held on 10/11 December, 2018, at UGC, 35 Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi. The Standing Appellate Committee based on the appeal submitted alongwith documentary evidence interaction with the HEI Authorities and the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments; made recommendations for consideration of the Competent Authority, in accordance to the Commission decision, in its 534th meeting, held on 02.08.2018.

4. Based on the decision of the Competent Authority, I am directed to issue this Order, thereby communicating the decision, on the appeal received for offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from academic year 2018-19, session beginning from January, 2019 and onwards by the **SMT Nathibai Damodar Thackersey Womens University** as detailed in point no. 5 below.



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5. Programme wise recognition status based on appeal:

5(A) Reversal of earlier decision (Programmes Recognized - the decision has already been uploaded on UGC website on 31.12.2018)

S. No.	Name of the Programme	Period of Recognition* (If Applicable)
1.	MASTER OF ARTS (HISTORY)	2018-19 to 2019-20 (2018-19, session beginning from January, 2019 onwards.)

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8. Higher Educational Institutions are required to comply with all the provisions of the UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments. If any deviation is noticed, the same would entail not only withdrawal of permission/recognition for such ODL course but also for other courses offered by the institution, on regular and conventional mode, as directed by MHRD vide letter F. No.2-18/2017-U3 (A) dated 07.10.2018 on the recommendations of Justice Reddy Committee constituted by MHRD on the directions of Hon'ble Supreme Court dated 03.11.2018 in Civil Appeal No.17869-17870 filed by Orissa Lift Irrigation Corp. Ltd Versus Rabi Sankar Patro & Ors.

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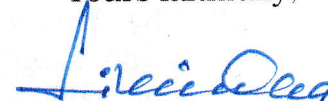
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The Commission has also directed that the HEIs shall upload the admission details within ten days from the last date of the admissions in the respective academic session i.e. 10th September for July academic session and 10th March for January academic session. Accordingly, the HEIs shall comply with the above decision of Commission.

10. The application stands closed for 2018-19, and the HEI needs to apply afresh as and when UGC invites application for recognition of ODL programmes.

11. The decision of the Commission shall be final and binding on the Higher Educational Institutions.

Yours faithfully,



(Jitendra)

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Education Officer

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8. The SMT Nathibai Damodar Thackersey Women's University, Maharashtra shall adhere to the policy of territorial jurisdiction as specified in Annexure-IV of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.

**(Jitendra)**

Education Officer