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Subject: The University Grants Commission (Establishment and Operation of Academic Bank of Credits in Higher Education) Regulations, 2021.

Respected Madam/Sir,

As you are aware that the National Education Policy (NEP)-2020 is based on principles of flexibility; no hard separations between disciplines, multi-disciplinarity and holistic education, conceptual understanding on creativity and critical thinking, ethics and human & constitutional values, life skills, respect for diversity and the local context, with focus on equity and inclusion.

Accordingly, as per recommendations of NEP-2020, the Commission with the concurrence of Ministry of Education has notified '*The University Grants Commission (Establishment and Operation of Academic Bank of Credits in Higher Education) Regulations, 2021*' in the Gazette of India on 28th July, 2021 a copy of which is attached herewith.

ABC is based on principle of Distributed & Flexible Teaching-Learning that allows a student to learn as per her or his convenience, drop education mid-way and pick it up again as per their choice and convenience. This will also address curtailing the dropout ratio while also improving GER.

Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) platform has been developed by National e-Governance Division (NeGD) of Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY) under Digilocker Framework, with the facility/functionality of opening of Academic Account by the student and on-boarding of eligible HEIs. ABC will digitally store the academic credits earned by students from HEIs registered with ABC, for awarding degrees/diploma/PG diploma/certificates taking into account credits earned by students. ABC will ensure the opening, closure and validation of Academic Bank Accounts, credit verification, credit accumulation, and credit transfer or redemption for students.

Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) that meet the eligibility requirements can register with Academic Bank of Credits on ABC website (www.abc.gov.in). Furthermore, students can also register by visiting the ABC website. A comprehensive User Manual for both, HEIs and Students with step-by-step instructions and screenshots, are available on the ABC portal's Resources section under the General Resources category. All eligible HEIs are requested to kindly take appropriate steps for joining ABC Platform at the earliest. Further, you are requested to kindly make the students of your University/Institution aware about ABC facility and encourage them for opening Academic Bank Account.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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To

- The Vice Chancellors of Universities
- The Principals of Autonomous Colleges