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**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**OPEN AND DISTANCE LEARNING PROGRAMMES**

The UGC (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 have been notified in the Gazette on 23.06.2017. The same may be accessed at <http://www.ugc.ac.in/oldpdf/regulations/distance%20education%20regulations.pdf>

In view of the provisions of the Regulations and considering the fact that academic session 2017-18 is about to start in July, 2017, UGC has decided the following:

- (1) HEIs already approved/recognised for 2017-18 have been permitted to offer approved ODL programmes for academic year 2017-18. Such HEIs will be required to apply afresh in the prescribed format as per the UGC ODL Regulations, 2017 for consideration of recognition/approval as per point (2) mentioned below.
- (2) Applications for recognising new HEIs and/or starting of new programmes will be invited online shortly as per the UGC ODL Regulations, 2017 for the academic session beginning January 2018/July 2018.
- (3) Those HEIs which have submitted applications/representations for their recognition/approval and/or addition of new programmes need to apply afresh as per the UGC ODL Regulations, 2017.

  
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