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F.No. UGC/DEB/ICFAI/SIKK/2013/

January, 2016

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The Vice Chancellor,
Institute of Chartered Finance
Analysis of India University (ICFAI)
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Gangtok - 737101,
Sikkim.

Sub : Continuation of recognition to Institute of Chartered Finance Analysis of India University (ICFAI), Sikkim for offering programmes through Open & Distance Learning (ODL) mode for academic year 2015-16 - reg.

Sir,

1. Reference is invited to this office letter F.No. UGC/DEB/ICFAI/Sikkim/2013/1385-89 dated 26th / 29th September, 2014 vide which Institute was given extension of recognition for the academic year 2014-15.

In reply to this office letter No. F/12-2/2015 DEB III dated 29th May 2015, the reference received vide your letter No. IU-Sik/Co-Dept/DEB/001/2015 dated 21.08.2015 and letter No. 14-Sik-Dept/DEB/11/2015 dated 24th December, 2015 on the subject cited above along with the affidavit on the prescribed format, I am to inform you that the University Grants Commission (UGC) in its 505th meeting held on 22nd December, 2014 has taken a decision to maintain status quo for 2015-16 and accordingly the recognition/approval granted to the University vide aforementioned letter dated 26th / 29th September, 2014 would continue for the academic year 2015-16. Your University may continue to offer programmes through ODL mode which were being offered during 2013-14, in accordance with the approval conveyed earlier vide letter No. referred above and No. DEC/Sik/ICFAT/08/15387 dated 03.11.2008 (copy enclosed). Any other programme started during 2014-15 onwards shall not be treated as recognised. The University will have the sole responsibility of the consequences arising out of it.

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2. The University shall compulsorily observe the following terms and conditions while offering the programmes through Open and Distance Learning mode during 2015-16 in accordance with the affidavit dated 21.08.2015 duly notarised and signed by, Mr. S.C. Joshi, the Registrar, ICFAI, Sikkim and forwarded by the Registrar himself vide letter No. IU-Sik/Co-Dept/DEB/001/2015 dated 21.08.2015 mentioned above :-

- i) The University shall offer only those programmes through open and distance mode which are approved by the statutory bodies of the University as per norms and also by UGC and wherever necessary by the Apex regulatory bodies of the country.
- ii) It is the responsibility of the University to follow the norms prescribed by the concerned regulatory body/ies such as UGC/AICTE/NCTE, or any other and also seek its/their prior approval, wherever required, before offering any specific programme through distance mode.
- iii) The University shall not start any new programme without prior approval of UGC and other concerned regulatory authorities in anticipation of recognition.
- iv) The Nomenclature of all programmes shall be as per UGC/AICTE Regulations.
- v) No teacher education programmes shall be offered without prior approval of the NCTE.
- vi) The MHRD directions prohibiting B.E./B.Tech through Distance mode vide its letter dated 29.7.2009 shall be adhered to strictly (copy at UGC website).
- vii) Programmes in Engineering and Technology i.e. BE/B.Tech/Diploma courses in Medicine/Nursing/Physiotherapy etc. are not allowed through distance mode and University shall not offer the same.
- viii) The University shall refrain from offering such programmes that are not allowed to be offered through distance mode by respective Apex body/ies.
- ix) No on line programme leading to award of degree/certificate shall be offered by the Institute until a policy is framed and approved by UGC in this regard.
- x) The minimum duration of a programme offered through ODL mode should not be less than the minimum duration of similar programme offered through the regular mode.
- xi) The University shall run its Open and Distance Learning programmes in those subject/fields which are offered by it through regular mode only.

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- xii) The University should have at least one full time faculty member exclusively for coordinating each programme at the headquarters.
 - xiii) The eligibility conditions for admissions shall be as per norms of UGC/AICTE and other regulatory bodies.
 - xiv) The territorial jurisdiction in respect of University for offering programmes through distance mode will be as per the policy of UGC on territorial jurisdiction and opening of off campuses/centres/study centres as mentioned in the UGC notification No.F.27-1/2012 (CPP-II), dated 27th June, 2013, a copy of which is also posted in the UGC website www.ugc.ac.in/deb/.
 - xv) In respect of standalone Institutions (other than the Universities), the territorial jurisdiction will be headquarters.
 - xvi) The programme in distance mode will not be offered through franchising arrangement and/or through any Private Institution/College.
3. Moreover, the University shall not offer any M.Phil/Ph.D Programme through distance learning mode in compliance to clause 5 of the UGC (Minimum Standard and Procedure for awards of M.Phil/Ph.D Degree), Regulation 2009.
4. The University's management of the distance education programmes will be open for review and inspection by the UGC. The academic norms of the programmes shall be under monitoring by the concerned regulatory authorities.
5. Your University is required to send a list of programmes (approved by the statutory bodies) and DEB/UGC that are on offer through distance mode during 2015-16, duly authenticated by the Registrar. It may also be noted that :
- i) If the University/Institution 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, the UGC may withdraw its recognition.
 - ii) In case any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the University / Institution is found to be false or fake at a later stage, the

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recognition of University/Institution shall be withdrawn and the University/Institution concerned shall be solely responsible for the career of the students enrolled.


Yours faithfully,


(Renu Batra)
Joint Secretary

Encl. - As above.

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1. The Director, Directorate of Distance Education, Institute of Chartered Finance Analysis of India University (ICFAI), Ranka Road, Lower Sichey, Gangtok - 737101, Sikkim.
2. The Principal Secretary, Technical and Higher Education Department, Govt. of Sikkim.
3. The Member Secretary, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), 7th floor, Chanderlok Building, Janpath, New Delhi -110001.
4. The Joint Secretary (TEL), Department of Higher Education, MHRD, Govt. of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110015.
5. Concerned File
6. Master File
7. Publication Officer (Web), UGC for updating website.


(Megha Kaushik)
Education Officer



By Speed post

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

Distance Education Bureau

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F.No. UGC/DEB/ICFAI/Sikkim/2013/1385-89

26th Sept. 2014
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To,

The Vice-Chancellor
ICFAI University
Ranka Road, Lower Sichey
Gangtok-737 101
Sikkim


Sub. : Continuation of recognition to ICFAI University, Gangtok, Sikkim for offering programmes through Open & Distance Learning (ODL) mode for academic year 2014 - 15 - reg.,

Sir/Madam,

Reference is invited to Office letter F.No. DEC/Sik/ICFAI/08/15387, dated 3rd Nov. 2008 conveying the approval of the Distance Education Council (DEC) to your University for offering programmes through Open & Distance Learning (ODL) mode. In this regard, I am directed to inform that the UGC has taken a decision to maintain status quo for 2014-15 and accordingly the recognition/approval granted to your University vide the aforementioned letter would continue for academic year 2014-15. Your University may offer the programmes through ODL mode which were approved by the statutory body of your University and were offered during 2013-14 in accordance with approval conveyed by Distance Education Council (DEC) vide F.No. DEC/Sik/ICFAI/08/15387, dated 3rd Nov. 2009 (Copy enclosed).

2 The above recognition is subject to the following terms and conditions:

- i) The University shall offer only those programmes through distance mode which are approved by the statutory bodies of the University as per norms and wherever necessary by the Apex regulatory bodies of the country.
- ii) It is the responsibility of the University/Institution to follow the norms prescribed by the concerned regulatory body/ies such as UGC/AICTE/any other, and also

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seek its/their prior approval, wherever required, for any specific programme mentioned above.

- iii) Nomenclature of all programmes shall be as per UGC/AICTE.
- iv) No teacher education programmes can be offered without prior approval of the NCTE.
- v) Programmes in physiotherapy are not allowed through distance mode.
- vi) University/Institution shall refrain from offering such programmes that are not allowed to be offered through distance mode by respective apex body/ies.
- vii) MHRD directions prohibiting B.E./ B.Tech through Distance mode vide its letter dated 29/07/2009 shall be adhered to strictly (copy at UGC website).
- viii) The eligibility conditions for admissions will be as per UGC/AICTE norms.
- ix) The minimum duration of a programme offered through ODL mode should not be less than the minimum duration of similar programme offered through the regular mode.
- x) The University has at least one full time faculty member exclusively for coordinating each programme at the headquarters.
- xi) The territorial jurisdiction in respect of Universities for offering programmes through distance mode will be as per the policy of UGC on territorial jurisdiction and opening of off campuses/centres/study centres as mentioned in the UGC notification No.F.27-1/2012(CPP-II), dated 27th June 2013, a copy of which is also posted in the UGC website www.ugc.ac.in/deb. In respect of standalone Institutions (other than the Universities), the territorial jurisdiction will be headquarters.
- xii) Franchising arrangement for offering programmes in distance mode in any form is not allowed.

3. The Institution's management of the distance education programmes will be open for review and inspection by the UGC. The academic norms of the programmes shall be under monitoring by the concerned regulatory authorities.

4. Before launching the programme/s, the Institution shall submit an affidavit within 30 days from date of issue of this letter that it agrees to and will abide by all terms and conditions contained in letter referred to in para 1 above and the terms and conditions laid down in para 2 above. In case the UGC does not receive the affidavit within 30 days from the date of issue of this letter, the approval accorded to your Institution will be liable to be withdrawn. It may also be noted that:

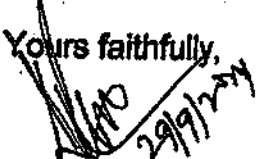
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- ii) In case any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the University/Institution is found to be false or fake at a later stage, the recognition of

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University/institution shall be withdrawn and the University/Institution concerned shall be solely responsible for the career of the students enrolled.

6.. Your university is required to send along with the affidavit, a list of programmes (approved by the statutory bodies) that are on offer through distance mode currently, duly authenticated by the Registrar.

Yours faithfully,

(Dev Kant Rao)
Dy. Director

Enclosed: As above

Copy to:

1. The Director, Directorate of Distance Education, The ICFAI University, Sikkim, Ranka Road, Lower Sichey, Gangtok, Sikkim- 737101
2. The Secretary (SSA), Human Resource Development Department, Government of Sikkim, Department of Education, Gangtok – 737101, Sikkim
3. The Member Secretary, All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE), 7th floor, Chanderlok building, Janpath, New Delhi 110001
4. Shri Praveen Prakash, Joint Secretary (TEL), Department of Higher education, MHRD, Govt of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi 110015.
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F.No. DEC/SIK/ICFAI/08
Date: 0311.2008

Sub: Provisional Recognition - Reg.

Dear

This has reference to your application to the Distance Education Council requesting for recognition of programmes offered through Directorate of Distance Education of The Institute of Chartered Financial Analysts of India University, Sikkim.

We would like to inform you that your university has been granted provisional recognition for offering programmes (approved by the statutory bodies of your university) through distance mode for a period of one year w.e.f. the date of issue of this letter or till the decision is taken on the recommendations of the expert committee visiting your institution.

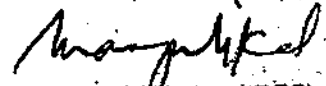
However, we maintain that it is the responsibility of the institution/university to follow the norms prescribed by the concerned regulatory bodies or seek its recognition for professional/technical programme/s as per the requirements. Getting approval of concerned statutory apex body for relevant programme/s will be the responsibility of the institution.

The DEC does not allow franchising of study centers.

Further, we would also like to mention that the territorial jurisdiction for offering distance education would be as per the Acts and Statutes of your university.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,


(Director, DEC)

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