Press Release

Precautions against “Fake Universities/Vishwavidyalayas”

The mushrooming growth of fake Universities/Vishwavidyalayas is a matter of great concern of the University Grants Commission, which has the responsibility of maintaining standards of Higher Education in the country. It is observed that there are some institutions offering undergraduate/postgraduate degrees in various subjects, which are not established under either Central or State or UGC Act and hence, these institutions are fake universities/vishwavidyalayas and do not have any right to confer/grant degrees.

Aspiring students are advised not to pursue higher education courses with such self-styled universities/vishwavidyalaya. Presently, there are 21 such self-styled fake Universities/Vishwavidyalayas on the records of the Commission which are functioning in contravention of the provisions of the UGC Act, 1956 as under:-

**Bihar**
1. Maithili University/Vishwavidyalaya, Darbhanga, Bihar.

**Delhi**
2. Varanaseya Sanskrit Vishwavidyalaya, Varanasi (UP) / Jagatpuri, Delhi.
3. Commercial University Ltd., Daryaganj, Delhi.
4. United Nations University, Delhi.
5. Vocational University, Delhi.
6. ADR-Centric Juridical University, ADR House, 8J, Gopala Tower, 25 Rajendra Place, New Delhi – 110 008.

**Karnataka**
8. Badaganvi Sarkar World Open University Education Society, Gokak, Belgaum (Karnataka)
**Kerala**

9. St. John’s University, Kishanattam, Kerala

**Madhya Pradesh**

10. Kesarwani Vidyapith, Jabalpur (M.P)

**Maharashtra**

11. Raja Arabic University, Nagpur

**Tamil Nadu**

12. D.D.B. Sanskrit University, Putur, Trichi, Tamil Nadu.

**West Bengal**

13. Indian Institute of Alternative Medicine, Kolkatta

**Uttar Pradesh**

14. Mahila Gram Vidyapith/Vishwavidyalaya, (Women’s University) Prayag, Allahabad (UP)

15. Gandhi Hindi Vidyapith, Prayag, Allahabad (UP)


17. Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose University (Open University), Achaltal, Aligarh (UP).


20. Indraprastha Shiksha Parishad, Institutional Area, Khoda, Makanpur, Noida Phase-II, (UP)


* Bhartiya Shiksha Parishad, Lucknow, UP - the matter is subjudice before the District Judge – Lucknow.

In case of doubt, students may contact the office of the University Grants Commission, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi – 110 002 or visit UGC website [www.ugc.ac.in](http://www.ugc.ac.in).

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