



विश्वविद्यालय अनुदान आयोग University Grants Commission

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UGC Guidelines on Examinations and Academic Calendar in view of COVID-19 Pandemic

Respected Madam/Sir,

In view of the Covid-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdown, the University Grants Commission constituted an Expert Committee to deliberate and make recommendations on the issues related to the Examinations and the Academic Calendar for avoiding academic loss and taking appropriate measures in the interest of students. The Expert Committee interacted with the stakeholders such as Vice-Chancellors of the universities, Principals of the colleges and academia through various electronic means such as email, phone, WhatsApp, online meetings etc. and submitted its Report to the UGC.

Based on the recommendations of the Expert Committee, the Commission has developed, "Guidelines on Examinations and Academic Calendar for the Universities in View of COVID-19 Pandemic and Subsequent Lockdown" A copy of the same is enclosed for your ready reference. The UGC Guidelines are advisory in nature, covering important dimensions related to examinations, academic calendar, admissions, online teaching-learning and provide flexibility for adoption by the universities. The universities may adopt / adapt and implement these Guidelines uniformly in a transparent manner.

In view of the location and diversity of universities and colleges, their level of preparedness, residential status of the students, status of COVID-19 pandemic spread in different regions / state and other factors, the universities, after making a comprehensive assessment of all such factors, may chart out a plan for the examinations and the academic calendar, to deal with any sort of exigency. It is reiterated that the universities should keep in view the best interests of all the stakeholders, giving highest priority to health and safety of all concerned, following the protocols for preventive measures, while adopting and implementing the Guidelines.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely

Encl.: As Above.

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To

1. The Vice Chancellors of all Universities

2. The Principals of all Colleges

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1. The Principal Secretary/Secretary to the Governors of all States/Lt. Governors of all Union Territories.

2. The Principal Secretary/Secretary, Department of Higher Education, all State Governments/Union Territories.

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