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REHABILITATION COUNCIL OF INDIA

(A Statutory Body under the Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment,
Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities)

File no. 10-102/UOU/2012/RCI

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Dt. 31.08.2016

Speed Post

To,
The Joint Secretary,
Distance Education Bureau,
UGC Office, 35, Feroz Shah Road,
New Delhi-110001

श.स. 12/9/16

Sub: Request to accord approval of University Grants Commission (UGC) to Uttarakhand Open University (UoU) to conduct B.Ed. Special Education Course through Open & Distance Learning Mode in the State of Uttarakhand-reg.

Madam/Sir,

Rehabilitation Council of India (RCI), constituted under an Act of Parliament has been entrusted with the responsibility to regulate & monitor the training programmes for development of human resources in the field of Special Education and Rehabilitation in the Country. The Council has developed and standardized various training programmes from certificate to M.Phil. level which are operational at 619 RCI's approved training institutions/Universities. A list of RCI approved face to face and distance mode courses and the norms for conducting the courses are enclosed for your ready reference.

2. It is to state that recently the Council has signed MoU with Uttarakhand Open University, Haldwani (UoU) to conduct B.Ed. Spl. Ed.-ODL course in the disability area Hearing Impairment, Visual Impairment, Mental Retardation & Learning Disabilities in the State of Uttarakhand from the academic session 2015-16. The main objective of signing of MoU is to launch B.Ed. Spl. Ed.-ODL course in collaboration with the aforesaid University to meet the increasing demand of trained rehabilitation professional who have full knowledge and insights to cater the specific educational needs of Children with disabilities in the Uttarakhand State. However, approval of DEB-UGC to UoU, Haldwani is required to start the said course from the academic session 2015-16.

3. The said University has already submitted proposal to DEB-UGC seeking approval of to conduct B.Ed Special Education Course through Open & Distance Learning Mode in the State of Uttarakhand. However, so far no response has been received by the University as informed by the VC, UoU, Haldwani, vide its letter no. UOU/VC/UGC/1860 dt. 29.07.2016 (copy enclosed for your ready reference).

4. It is therefore, requested to expedite the matter on priority in public interest at large and the interest of persons with disabilities in particular.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(S.K. Srivastava)

Member Secretary

Copy to:

1. Vice Chancellor, Uttarakhand Open University, Vishwavidyalaya Marg, Near T.P Nagar, Haldwani 263139. (Nainital) for information, please.
2. Registrar, Uttarakhand Open University, Teenpani Bypass road, T.P Nagar, Haldwani 263139. (Nainital) for information, please.

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19 January 2017

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✓ Professor Nageshwar Rao
Vice Chancellor,
Uttarakhand Open University,
Teenpani Bypass Road, T. P. Nagar
Haldwani, Uttarakhand -263139.

Dear Sir,
DR (Education)

Sub: Request to organize Apex Advisory Committee of UoU & RCI - reg.

Ref.: 1. MoU signed between RCI & UoU dt.16/1/2015

2. RCI letter dt. 19/9/2016

3. RCI letter dt. 31/8/2016

4. RCI letter dt. 15/1/2016

Sir,

This is with reference to the subject mentioned above with reference to the correspondence cited, it is to say that Council has signed MoU with UoU, Haldwani to launch B.Ed.Spl.Ed.-ODL courses in the State of Uttarakhand based on the terms and conditions as agreed mutually by both the Govt. Bodies as mentioned. As informed vide your letter no.UoU/SEDE/RCI/003/1132/1491 dt.30/6/2016, 1st batch of B.Ed.Spl.Ed.-ODL course has been commenced by the University from the session 2015-16 at 25 centres for HI, VI, MR, LD without approval of the Council.

2. As mentioned at Clause no.6.1 of norms and standards, 2015 of RCI, Study Centres who fulfil the said criteria may only be considered as eligible to conduct B.Ed.Spl.Ed.-ODL course, which seems to be violated. Also that the action taken report and status report with regard to appointment of faculty, preparation of SLM for all disabilities, program guide, discontinuation of unapproved study centres, etc. has not been submitted, even after several reminders.

3. Further, an amount of Rs. 4,63,100/- was sanctioned to UoU for organizing One day workshop on Capacity Building for RCI Professional Institutions and Stakeholders in Uttaranchal & Himachal Pradesh states. However, Utilization Certificate, Audited statement of Accounts duly signed by the Chartered Accountant along with detailed report, photographs etc. of the workshop are still awaited after a quite lengthy time lapse.

4. It is very unfortunate to believe the casual approach of the department towards conduct of courses in the field of disability, whereas, Council has always been supportive to promote Universities to conduct courses in disability.

5. In view of the above, it is suggested that Apex Advisory Committee Meeting may be organized at the earliest to assess the status of Special Education Programme and to ensure the implementation of various clauses of the MoU in its true spirit. Accordingly, tentative dates along with agenda items may please be sent to the Council for availability of Competent authority. The said meeting may be organized on mutually convenient dates. In the meanwhile members from RCI shall be nominated and intimated to the University.

6. An early action in this regard will be highly appreciated.

Thanking You,

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(Signature of Dr. Kamlesh Kumar Pandey)

(Dr. Kamlesh Kumar Pandey)
Chairperson

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Encl.: As stated above

CC: Prof. Govind Singh, Registrar, Uttarakhand Open University, Teenpani Bypass Road, T. P. Nagar Haldwani, Uttarakhand -263139.

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File No. 10-102/OU/2007/RCI 443

Dt. 4th Sept., 2018

Dr. Avichal Kapur,
Joint Secretary,
University Grants Commission
35 Feroz Shah Road, New Delhi-110001

Sub: Formulation and notification of the recognition methodology for recognising professional programmes to be conducted by the HEIs in the field of Special Education through ODL mode -reg.

Dear Dr. Kapur,

Your kind attention is invited to your letter no. D.O. No. F.1-13/2018 (DEB-I) dt. 16th August, 2018 on the subject cited above. This is to inform you that the Council, vide its letter no. 10-102/OU/2001/RCi dt. 1189-1203 dt. 10th January, 2018 ; has already forwarded the UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 to all the Universities conducting B.Ed. Spl.Ed.-ODL Course in the field of Special Education for strict compliance of the same (Copy enclosed for your ready reference).

2. The matter with regard to deficiency observed and indicated by the DEB-UGC vide its letters no. 17-5/2018(DEB-I) dt. 24th August, 2018; 111-1/2017(DEB-IV) dt. 14th August, 2018 ; 80-3/2017(DEB-IV) dt. 14th August, 2018; 7-1/2018 (DEB-III) dt. 16th August, 2018 ; 2-10/2018(DEB-I) , 14th August, 2018 respectively in respect of B.Ed. Spl.Ed-ODL (HI, VI ,MR and LD) courses being offered by UPRTOU, Allahabad; YCMOU, Nashik; UoU, Haldwani; ICFAI, Tripura; TNOU, Chennai that the said Universities do not have prior approval of RCI to conduct the said courses.

3. In view of the above, It is to appraise you that the Council had signed MoU with these Universities to conduct the B.Ed. Spl.Ed.-ODL Course within their territorial Jurisdiction and all the Universities have got the RCI's approval to run these courses.

4. You are therefore, requested to consider the above said facts and information and DEB-UGC may accord its approval to all the above mentioned Universities to run the B.Ed. Spl.Ed. -ODL Course. Details of the RCI's approved courses and validity of approval in r/o above Universities is enclosed at Annexure-A for your ready reference.

5. Norms and Regulations developed by the Council to start Open and Distance Learning Mode Programmes in the field of Special Education is enclosed herewith for your ready reference. The same may be uploaded on UGC's website for information and necessary action of all concerned.

With regards,

Yours faithfully,

(Smita Jayavant)
Member Secretary

Encl: As Stated above.

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