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F.No. 2-PC/AICTE/Gen. Dist. Edu. Policy/2012/532

Dated: 17th July 2015

To,

The Vice Chancellor,
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Sub.: Recognition to certain programmes of Uttrakhand Open University
 Haldwani.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. MOU/VC/AICTE/35/1243/8 dated 26th June 2015 on the subject addressed to hon'ble chairmen, it is stated that:

(a) It has been the policy of the AICTE, not to recognize the qualifications acquired through distance education mode at Diploma, Bachelors & Master Level in the fields of Engineering, Technology, Architecture, Town Planning, Management, Pharmacy, Hotel Management & Catering Technology, Applied Arts & Crafts & Post Graduate Diploma in Management (PGDM).

(b) The AICTE had the policy to consider only MBA and MCA through distance mode for its recognition provided the same was approved by the tripartite committee of AICTE, UGC and DEC.

(c) Further, the MHRD vide its order dated 29.12.2012 having dissolved DEC under the IGNOU, the UGC/AICTE was empowered to act as a regulator for higher education (excluding Technical Education) and Technical Education through Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Mode respectively.

d) However, in subsequent development arising out of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India's judgment in civil appeal No. 1145 of 2004 and civil appeal No. 5736-5745 of 2004 issued on 25-04-2013 the MHRD vide F. No. 4-8/2014-UI (A) dated 25th February, 2014 in exercise of its powers conferred by sub section of section 20 of the UGC Act 1956 and in suppression of its earlier direction of even No. dated 29th December, 2012, referred to at (c) above has directed the UGC.

(i) To act as a regulator for Higher Education through Open & Distance Learning (ODL) Mode and act as a Regulator for Technical Education in Universities/Affiliated Colleges through Open & Distance Learning (ODL) Mode.

(e) It is further stated that the universities do not require prior approval of AICTE to commence a new department or course and programmes in technical education, however, the universities are expected to conform to the standards and norms laid down by AICTE. A copy of the AICTE notification No. UB/04(3)/2010 is also enclosed for instant reference please.

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