

VISVA-BHARATI
SANTINIKETAN



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Date: 04.06.2018

To
All Heads of the Department/ Centre,
Visva-Bharati

Sir/Madam,

I am directed to inform you that Visva-Bharati is going to implement MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses) from the Academic Session 2018-19 through SWAYAM portal. As per decision of the last meeting of the MOOCs Committee, all HoDs are requested to adopt at least one course at UG Semester III level (July to December, 2018) which is available on www.swayam.gov.in as extra credit course only. HoDs are also requested to motivate students to participate in this course as directed by UGC (copy attached).

Please select the course / courses being offered and inform the Joint Registrar (Academic & Research) latest by June 29, 2018 for successful implementation of MOOCs from the current Academic session.


Joint Registrar
(Academic & Research)
Visva-Bharati

Copy to :

1. All Directors/Principals of Bhavanas/Vibhagas, Visva-Bharati
2. Joint Registrar (Examinations), Visva-Bharati
3. C.S. to the Vice-chancellor, Visva-Bharati
4. University Webmaster – To upload it in the University Website.



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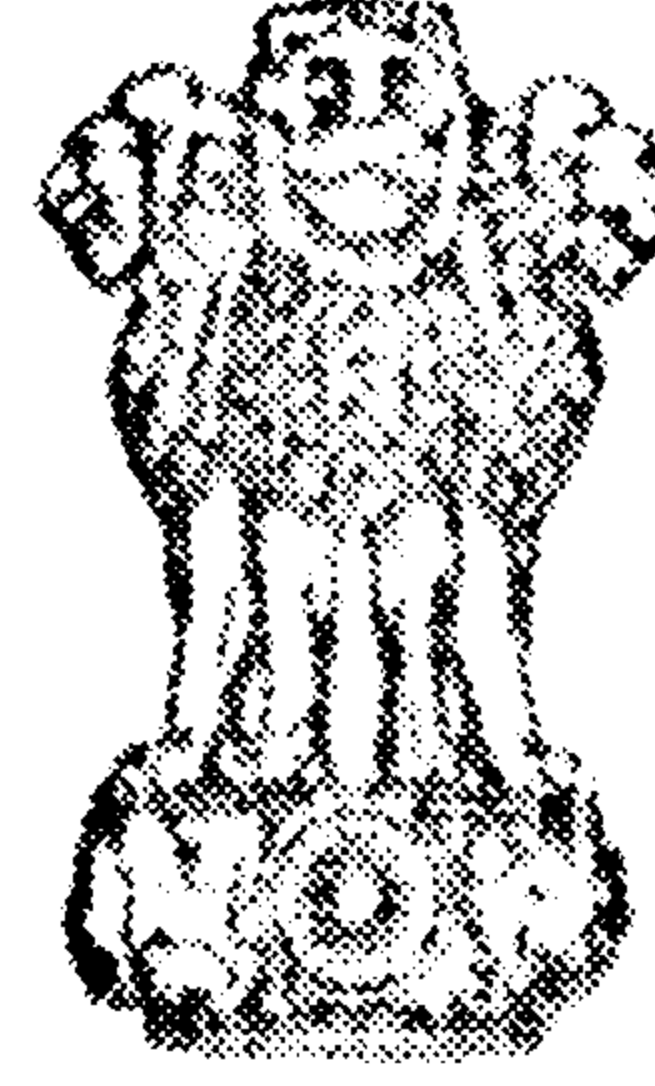
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1st May, 2018

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Dear Vice Chancellor,

As you are aware, SWAYAM is an indigenous platform of the GOI which hosts MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses) courses to enable students to virtually attend the courses taught by the best faculty; access high quality reading resources; participate in discussion forums; take tests and earn credits as per the UGC (Credit Framework for Online Courses through SWAYAM) Regulation 2016. The SWAYAM announces the courses every semester in advance to enable the universities to choose the best courses for their students in the coming semester.

I am sharing with you the consolidated list of MOOCs (Massive Open Online Courses) courses which are being offered in the forthcoming Academic Session commencing July, 2018, by the nine National Coordinators identified by GOI from School to Higher Education level on SWAYAM. The list of courses is available at:-

<http://ugcmoocs.inflibnet.ac.in/courses.php>

The Universities are requested to help in this quality initiative of Govt. of India through the following methods:

Adoption

UGC requests you to initiate appropriate action for adoption of these MOOCs Courses through SWAYAM platform in your university and obtain the approval of the various statutory bodies of the University on or before 1st July, 2018. Please ensure that the university has the requisite academic and physical infrastructure to adopt MOOCs courses and assigns course coordinator to hand hold the students in this process. In addition, you are requested to make efforts to see that each faculty /department/school chooses at least one MOOCs course in the coming session. The courses chosen by the university may please be intimated to UGC at the following link:-

<http://ugcmoocs.inflibnet.ac.in/portal/index.php/ccourse>

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Promotion

UGC has developed TVCs, jingles and posters for creating awareness about the SWAYAM initiative. Universities are requested to make effective use of the social media tools like Twitter, Facebook, Whatsapp etc. for popularising these amongst the students and faculty. These TVCs, jingles and posters are available on UGC website. Please upload them on the University website and send regular messages using the above social media apps about these TVCs, jingles and posters and about the MOOCs courses chosen by your university for adoption in the coming semester.

Development

You are also requested to encourage faculty members of your university to develop quality MOOCs courses, which will give them the opportunity of using ICT tools for teaching learning purpose and also provide them global visibility. For taking part in the development of quality MOOCs, please encourage your best faculty to come forward and apply on the UGC MOOCs website (<http://ugcmoocs.inflibnet.ac.in/>) for developing MOOCs on any subject of their choice out of the curriculum for the post graduate programmes undertaken by your university. The UGC will provide financial assistance as per the **MOOCs guidelines**. This will also give a global visibility to the university as well as the concerned faculty. The Universities which are under section 2(f) and 12B of UGC Act, 1956, and eligible to receive central assistance may apply to UGC and other institute may apply to AICTE.

I am sure you will take proactive steps by engaging the faculty and students in all activities mentioned above and be a partner of MHRD and UGC in taking this important initiative forward.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,



(Pankaj Mittal)

The Vice-Chancellor of all Universities

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2. SWAYAM Coordinator of the University
With the request to kindly get the action expedited
3. All ROs of UGC with a request to that a similar campaign
may be launched for the colleges under the respective ROs
4. PS to Chairman, UGC
5. PS to Secretary, UGC