

**GOVERNMENT OF ORISSA  
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION**

**NOTIFICATION**

Bhubaneswar, dated the 8-8-2012

No.HE-FE-1(B)-POL-~~0011-2012~~ 20264/HE., On the basis of the recommendation of the committee constituted for formulation of guidelines regarding establishment of Private Universities in the State and after careful consideration of the recommendation of the committee, Government have been pleased to prescribe the following guidelines for establishment of Private Universities in the State of Odisha as follows.

**GUIDELINES FOR ESTABLISHMENT OF PRIVATE UNIVERSITIES IN  
THE STATE OF ODISHA**

The Proposals for Universities may be divided into two categories: (i) the existing colleges/institutions which intend to graduate into a University; and (ii) "de novo" Universities where no such institution belonging to the promoter exists within Odisha as on date of commencement of the University.

**The objectives of a University in Category:**

- 1.1 To provide for higher education leading to excellence and innovations such branches of knowledge as may be deemed fit primarily at post-graduate and research degree levels fully conforming to the concept of University, namely, University Education Report (1948) and the Report of the committee on Renovation and Rejuvenation of Higher Education in India (2009) and the Report of the Review Committee for Deemed to be Universities (2009).
- 1.2 To engage in areas of specialization with proven ability to make distinctive contributions to the objectives of the university education system that is academic engagement over and above programmes leading to conventional degrees in arts, science, engineering, medicine, dental, pharmacy, management, etc routinely offered by conventional institutions.
- 1.3 To provide for high quality teaching and research and for the advancement of knowledge and its dissemination through various research programmes undertaken in house by substantial number of full time faculty/research scholars (Ph.Ds and Post Doctoral) in diverse disciplines.

The objectives of a University under the 'de novo' category are:

- 1.4 The universities under this category are devoted to unique and emerging areas of knowledge. They should be promoted by persons/institutions of proven merit and reputation. The selection of universities in this category should be made by a committee of experts comprising eminent academicians and the Secretary of the concerned Department(s) dealing with the subject.

**Eligibility criteria for establishment of State Private University:**

- 2.1 For Universities in category (i), it should have been in existence for at least 15 years in the State. However, in deserving cases fulfilling the other criteria, the Govt. may relax the condition of 15 years of existence for institutes of National and International repute.
- 2.2 Must have diversity of programme for study, proven contribution to innovations in teaching and high quality of research output.
- 2.3 Must have undergone periodic reviews and assessments by recognised external accrediting/assessment agencies recognised under any laws for the time being in force.
- 2.4 Must have established from broad based viable under graduate/post graduate and research programmes in several disciplines with firm inter disciplinary orientation and linkages.
- 2.5 Shall not be an institution imparting education leading to conventional degrees only.
- 2.6 Shall not be an institution mainly engaged in offering in training programmes for in-service personnel, or conducting only skill oriented or production related degrees or diploma programmes.
- 2.7 Shall be engaged in quality research activities, publications and scholarly works of a high standard.
- 2.8 Shall have adequate number of full time fully qualified faculty for teaching and research.
- 2.9 Shall possess the necessary infrastructure for quality research and seamless access to modern information resources.

- 2.10 Shall have a proven record of securing merit based extramural research funding from various public/private agencies.
- 2.11 Shall have generated intellectual property in the form of patents, copyright and transfer of technology.
- 2.12 Shall have a demonstrable and proven record of extension services and social engagement.
- 2.13 Each constituent unit shall have accreditation with the highest grade offered from NAAC (National Assessment and Accreditation Council) or NBA (National Board of Accreditation).
- 2.14 Shall undertake not to offer any programme in the distance mode.
- 2.15 For Universities 'de novo' category, it should provide evidence of being devoted to unique and emerging area of knowledge not being pursued by conventional/existing institutions. It will be assessed by a committee of experts comprising eminent academicians as mentioned in paragraph 1.4 above.

**Conditions:-**

- 3.1 Once an institution is declared as a university, no other existing institution can be annexed to it as its constituent institution unless the institution proposed to be annexed fulfils independently, all the criteria stipulated in these guidelines.
- 3.2 There shall be a mandatory intensive external review of every university once in every five years based on the criteria prescribed by the University Grants Commission/ AICTE as the case may be, from time to time.
- 3.3 The applicant institutions shall be a not for profit organisation and shall not be engaged in commercialisation of higher education.
- 3.4 The applicant institution shall have a track record of having not violated any of the provisions of any of the statutes/guidelines of any Statutory Authority in the period of five years preceding the date of submission of the application seeking status of a university.

### Governance System for establishment of State Private University.

- 4.1 It shall be registered either as a not-for-profit society under Societies Registration Act or as a not-for-profit Trust under the Public Trust Act or a non-for-profit Company under the Companies Act.
- 4.2 The Chancellor shall be an eminent educationist or a distinguished public figure other than the President of the sponsoring Society/Trust or his/her close relatives.
- 4.3 There shall be no position of Pro-Chancellor
- 4.4 The Board of Management is to be headed by the Vice Chancellor or a distinguished academic. This body shall consist of minimum of 10 members and maximum of 12 members.
- 4.5 The Board of management of the Institution shall be independent of the Trust/Society with full autonomy. The number of representatives of the Trust/Society on the Board of Management shall be limited to maximum of two.
- 4.6 The Board of Management shall consist of eminent persons capable of contributing to and upholding University ideals and traditions.

### Admission and Fees Structure

- 5.1 Admission of students shall be made strictly on merit based on All India Examination.
- 5.2 The level of fees charge for the courses offered shall have a reasonable relation to the cost of running the course. The fee structure shall be displayed in the prospectus and on the Institution's Website.
- 5.3 There shall be no commercialization of education.
- 5.4 The Institutions shall admit students to its approved academic programmes under its enrolment only from the academic session that follows the notification issued by the State Government declaring Institutions as a University.

### **Infrastructure and other facilities.**

**6.1** It shall have the necessary financial and infrastructural viability for administering and maintaining the Institution as a university.

#### **6.2 (Land and Building)**

- Not less than 15 acres of land in urban area and 30 acres of land in non-urban area.
- Administrative Building at least 1000 square meter.
- Academic Building at least 10,000 square meter.
- Residential accommodation for teachers, Guest House and Hostel Accommodation for students.
- Equipments, Books, journals and other infrastructural facilities

#### **6.3 Academic programmes**

**6.3.1** Academic programme shall offer sufficient scope for interdisciplinary learning and research.

**6.3.2** Delivery of programme shall be based on innovative teaching and learning process and evaluation system.

**6.3.3** Shall be supported by adequate qualified faculty.

It shall have undergraduate and at least five post graduate academic Departments with every Department having in position minimum permanent faculty of one Professor, two Readers and three Lecturers for general courses and in case of courses in other disciplines such as Engineering & Technology, Medicine, Dental, Nursing, Pharmacy, Physiotherapy etc. the faculty shall be as per the norm and guidelines of the respective statutory councils together with the necessary supporting technical and ministerial staff as per the norm and standards laid down by the respective statutory body.

#### **6.4 Financial viability.**

The financial viability of the institution shall be verifiable by the audited statements of accounts of Institutions for the previous 5 years immediately preceding the date of application for declaration as a University.

6.5 Corpus fund.

- (a) For institutions conducting professional programme, such as Engineering & Technology, Medicine - Rs.8.00 Crores
- (b) For Management, Law and Education - Rs.5.00 Crores
- (c) For other programmes - Rs.4.00 Crores
- (d) For institutions conducting both professional and other programmes - Rs.10.00 Crores
- (e) For institutions under the de novo category the corpus fund will be Rs.25.00 Crores.

6.6 All movable and immovable properties of the Institution or Institutions that form the integral part of the proposed Institutions to be University shall remain legally vested in the name of the Institution in the manner as recognised under the Transfer of the Property Act, 1882 or any other law which may be in force. However, in case the immovable property has been acquired by the Institution by way of lease, the lease shall be perpetual in nature and initially for at least 99 years.

6.7 The income and property of the Institution, howsoever derived, shall be utilised only for the promotion of the objectives of the Institutions including its growth and developments. No portion of the income/property of the Institution shall be paid or transferred, directly or indirectly by way of profit, to the persons who were/are members of the Institutions, provided that nothing herein contained shall prevent the payment in good faith or remuneration to any member thereof or to any other person in return for any service rendered to the Institution or for travelling, halting and other similar charges and all such expenditure shall be appropriately reflected in the accounts of the Institutions maintained for the purpose.

By order of Governor



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