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Additional Secretary to Govt.

To

The Registrars,
All State Universities
The Principals
All Govt. Colleges/ Aided Colleges

Sub: On-line Refreshers Programme 'ARPIT' for the teachers of colleges and universities.

Madam/Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I am directed to say you that Ministry of Human Resource Development has launched 'Annual Refresher Programme in Teaching' (ARPIT) using the MOOC's platform SWAYAM on 13th November, 2018. Since it is an online refresher course, it allows faculty to undergo training while on duty and without disrupting the institution's academic schedule.

The course is a 40 hour module with 20 hours of video content and 20 hours of non-video content. At the end of the course, there will be terminal assessment which will be online. All faculties who have successfully completed the online refresher course will be certified. UGC vide its letter No. F.2-16/2002 (PS) pt. fi.II, dated 03.12.2018 has decided to treat refresher course under ARPIT programme as equivalent to one Refresher Course for the purpose of Career Advancement Scheme. A copy of the letter is annexed. The courses can be accessed at <https://swayam.gov.in/courses/public>.

Therefore, you are requested to kindly circulate it among the staff members to enroll in their respective disciplines and get the benefit. The courses are open from 1st November, 2018 to 28th February, 2019. All in-service teachers, irrespective of their subject and seniority will have to register and complete these fresher courses. This will be reflected in the Service Book of the teachers and counted towards their placements/promotion into higher grade. The last date for enrollment of ARPIT courses in SWAYAM platform is 15th January, 2019.

This is treated as 'MOST URGENT'.

Yours Sincerely,


Additional Secretary to Govt.

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Respected Sir/Madam,

A unique initiative of online professional development of in-service teachers' of higher education, using MOOCs platform SWAYAM-Annual Refresher Programme in Teaching (ARPIT) was launched by MHRD on 13th November, 2018. The ARPIT is 40 hour programme with 20 hours of video content offered in a highly flexible format which can be done at one's own pace and time. The programme has built-in assessment exercises and activities as part of the academic progression in the course. At the end of the course, there is a provision for terminal assessment which can be either online or written examination.

It has been decided by the UGC that successful completion of the courses offered under the ARPIT programme with 40 hour of instruction material with a proctored examination will be treated as equivalent to one Refresher Course for the purposes of Career Advancement.

This is for the information of all universities and colleges.

With regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Rajnish Jain)

To the Vice-Chancellors of all Universities