



F.No. 2-1/2017 (DEB-IV)

Date: October, 2017

**The Registrar**  
**Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra**  
**Open University,**  
**Dnyangangotri,**  
**Near Gangapur Dam,**  
**Goverdhan, Nashik - 422 222.**

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**Sub: Permission to start M.Phil/Ph.D programmes under Regular Mode as per UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil/Ph.D Degrees) Regulations, 2016- reg.**

Sir,

1. The M/HRD vide its D.O. letter No.18-12/2016-DL dated 08/09/2016 had conveyed its decision as under :-

“IGNOU and SOUs will be allowed to conduct Ph.D. programmes by the University Grants Commission (UGC) in non-technical programmes provided these Universities abide by the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.PHIL./PH.D. Degrees) Regulations, 2016 dated 5<sup>th</sup> May, 2016.”

2. The Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University, Nashik vide its letter F.No. YCMOU/R/808 dated 18/05/2017 has submitted a duly notarised affidavit dated 16/05/2017 signed by Dr. Dinesh Bhonde, Registrar to the effect that University will strictly follow UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil/Ph.D Degrees) Regulations, 2016 and will abide by all its clauses in toto.
3. In this context, I am directed to convey the approval of UGC to start M.Phil/Ph.D programme under Regular/Part-Time mode by the University subject to the condition that the essential clauses of UGC (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil/Ph.D Degrees) Regulations, 2016 (Copy enclosed) pertaining to eligibility criteria for admission to M.Phil/Ph.D programme, duration of programme, procedure for admission, allocation of Research Supervisor, Course Work, Research Advisory Committee, Evaluation and Assessment Methods and Depository with INFLIBNET must be followed in letter and spirit. It may be noted that as per Clause 11 of the Regulations, no university is permitted to conduct M.Phil/Ph.D programmes through distance education mode.
4. In case, if there is any deviation in implementing the clauses of UGC Regulations, 2016, the permission would be deemed to be treated as withdrawn. Above permission is subject to the condition that Act/Statute/Ordinance /Rule of the University provide for the same.

This issues with the approval of Competent Authority.

Yours faithfully,

  
(Dr. Avichal Kapur)  
Joint Secretary

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