

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION
DISTANCE EDUCATION BUREAU

F. No. 30-30/2023 (DEB-II)

19th March, 2024

List of HEIs recognized to offer Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Programmes for Academic Year 2023-24 (Academic Session beginning February, 2024) onwards.

- I. University Grants Commission had invited online applications from the eligible Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) as per Regulation 3(A) and Regulation 3(B)(b) of UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments for recognition of Programmes under Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode. On the basis of applications submitted by the HEI under UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments, list of HEIs recognized to offer Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Programmes for academic year 2023-24 (academic session beginning February, 2024) is attached herewith.
- II. Programmes under the ambit of Regulatory Authorities have been considered on the basis of NOC/ approval/ recommendation received from the respective Regulatory Authority. The HEI shall strictly abide by the conditions such as the number of seats, valid academic year, etc. mentioned in the relevant Regulatory Authority letter.
- III. The Higher Educational Institution shall scrupulously abide by all the terms and conditions as stipulated in the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments and other instructions/notices issued by UGC and other statutory/regulatory bodies from time to time.
- IV. The Higher Educational Institution shall also adhere to the policy of Territorial Jurisdiction and Learner Support Centers (LSC) as specified in Annexure-III and VIII of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.
- V. UGC decision on last date of admission for offering ODL and Online programmes for academic session February, 2024 academic session and the last date to upload the student admission details on UGC-DEB web portal is as under:
 - **Last Date for Admission: 31st March, 2024.**
 - **Last Date for Submission of Student Data on the Portal: 15th April, 2024.**
- VI. The Higher Educational Institutions have submitted an affidavit to the effect that in case any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the Higher Educational Institution is found to be false or wrong at a later stage or in case there is any violation of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments by the HEI, the Higher Educational Institution shall be solely liable and responsible for any such contravention/violation and for any consequences thereof. In such events, the HEI may also be subject to the consequences stipulated under Regulation 7 of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 (including any amendments thereto).



(Prof. Manish R. Joshi)
Secretary

S. No.	STATE	TYPE OF HEI	HEI NAME	LIST OF PROGRAMMES RECOGNISED FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-24 (ACADEMIC SESSION BEGINNING FEBRUARY, 2024)	
				NO. OF PROGRAMMES RECOGNISED	NAME OF THE PROGRAMMES
30.	MADHYA PRADESH	STATE UNIVERSITY	MAHATMA GANDHI CHITRAKOOT GRAMODAYA VISHWAVIDYA LAYA, CHITRAKOOT	12	1) BACHELOR OF COMMERCE 2) BACHELOR OF SOCIAL WORK 3) BACHELOR OF ARTS 4) MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK 5) MASTER OF ARTS (EDUCATION) 6) MASTER OF ARTS (RURAL DEVELOPMENT) 7) MASTER OF ARTS (POLITICAL SCIENCE) 8) MASTER OF ARTS (HISTORY) 9) MASTER OF ARTS (ENGLISH) 10) MASTER OF ARTS (HINDI) 11) MASTER OF ARTS (SANSKRIT) 12) MASTER OF COMMERCE
31.	MADHYA PRADESH	STATE OPEN UNIVERSITY	M.P. BHOJ (OPEN) UNIVERSITY, BHOPAL	35	1) BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION 2) BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (HISTORY/POLITICAL SCIENCE/ SOCIOLOGY/ ECONOMICS /HINDI/ENGLISH/GEOGRAPHY /SANSKRIT) 3) BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS) (PHYSICS/CHEMISTRY/ZOOLOGY/MATHEMATICS/ STATISTICS/ECONOMICS) 4) BACHELOR OF EDUCATION 5) BACHELOR OF COMMERCE 6) BACHELOR OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS 7) BACHELOR OF EDUCATION - SPECIAL EDUCATION

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				NO. OF PROGRAMMES RECOGNISED	NAME OF THE PROGRAMMES
					8) BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (DATA SCIENCE) 9) BACHELOR OF LIBRARY & INFORMATION SCIENCE 10) BACHELOR OF JOURNALISM 11) BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (CYBER SECURITY) 12) MASTER OF SCIENCE (BOTANY) 13) MASTER OF ARTS (ECONOMICS) 14) MASTER OF ARTS (HINDI) 15) MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION 16) MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (MATERIAL MANAGEMENT) 17) MASTER OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS 18) MASTER OF SCIENCE (PHYSICS) 19) MASTER OF SCIENCE (CHEMISTRY) 20) MASTER OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS) 21) MASTER OF SCIENCE (ZOOLOGY) 22) MASTER OF SCIENCE (INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY) 23) MASTER OF SCIENCE (CYBER SECURITY) 24) MASTER OF ARTS (SOCIOLOGY) 25) MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK 26) MASTER OF ARTS (HISTORY) 27) MASTER OF ARTS (POLITICAL SCIENCE) 28) MASTER OF ARTS (GEOGRAPHY) 29) MASTER OF ARTS (ENGLISH)

S. No.	STATE	TYPE OF HEI	HEI NAME	LIST OF PROGRAMMES RECOGNISED FOR ACADEMIC YEAR 2023-24 (ACADEMIC SESSION BEGINNING FEBRUARY, 2024)	
				NO. OF PROGRAMMES RECOGNISED	NAME OF THE PROGRAMMES
					30) MASTER OF JOURNALISM 31) MASTER OF COMMERCE 32) POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA (CYBER SECURITY) 33) POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA (MANAGEMENT LOGISTICS & SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT) 34) POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA (ENERGY MANAGEMENT) 35) POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA (EVENT MANAGEMENT)
32.	MAHARASHTRA	CENTRAL UNIVERSITY	MAHATMA GANDHI ANTARRASHTRI YAHINDIVISHW AVIDYALAYA, WARDHA	10	1) BACHELOR OF JOURNALISM 2) BACHELOR OF ARTS (COMBINATION OF 3 SUBJECTS)- GENERAL 3) BACHELOR OF EDUCATION 4) MASTER OF ARTS(HINDI) 5) MASTER OF SOCIAL WORK 6) MASTER OF JOURNALISM 7) MASTER OF ARTS (SOCIOLOGY) 8) MASTER OF ARTS (HISTORY) 9) MASTER OF ARTS (POLITICAL SCIENCE) 10) MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION
33.	MAHARASHTRA	STATE UNIVERSITY	SMT NATHIBAI DAMODAR THACKERSEY WOMENS UNIVERSITY	18	1) BACHELOR OF ARTS (ECONOMICS) 2) BACHELOR OF ARTS (POLITICAL SCIENCE) 3) BACHELOR OF ARTS (SOCIOLOGY) 4) BACHELOR OF ARTS (MARATHI) 5) BACHELOR OF ARTS (HINDI)

EXPERT COMMITTEE INTERFACE MEETING – ASSESSMENT FORMAT

ODL PROGRAMMES

HEI details

Name of HEI:	M.P. Bhoj (Open) University
State:	Madhya Pradesh
Year of establishment of HEI:	1991
Type of HEI:	State Open
Registration ID:	HEI-P-U-0278
Date of submission of proposal on Portal:	14.06.2024
Whether the HEI is recognized by UGC as per UGC(Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 / UGC(Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020	Yes

Proposed programme(s) details

Total No. of Proposed Programme(s):	15
Number of Proposed UG programmes:	Total: 7 UG (Hons. programme(s) with 4 years duration): 7
Number of Proposed PG programmes:	02
Number of Proposed Post Graduate Diploma programmes:	06
Number of Science based programmes:	07

Expert Committee Observations/Recommendations

1. Institutional level assessment:

Sr. No.	Provisions	Documentary evidence submitted (Yes/No)	Complied (C) / Not Complied (NC)
a.	HEI under 2(f) or Section 3	Yes; under Section 2 (f)	Complied
b.	For Dual Mode University: NAAC: NAAC score >=3.01; valid as on 15th June, 2024 or NIRF: In top 100 university category at least once in two preceding cycles For Open University: NAAC: Any Valid NAAC score; valid as on 15th June, 2024	NA Yes; NAAC Score 3.08 valid upto 21st Sep, 2028	Complied
c.	Affidavit submitted: Original (Hard copy) In the prescribed format Duly notarized Duly signed (For Dual Mode Universities– VC/Registrar and Director CDOE) and (For Open Universities - VC and Registrar)	Yes Yes Yes Yes	Complied
d.	Undertaking submitted: Original In the prescribed format Duly signed ((For Dual Mode Universities– VC/Registrar and Director CDOE) and (For Open Universities – VC and Registrar)	Yes Yes Yes	Complied
e.	Appointment of Director/ Head of School(s) For Dual Mode University: Centre of Distance and Online Education Regular, full time, atleast Associate Professor For Open University: For Open University, Head for each school at Associate Professor level	NA Yes	Complied
f.	Availability of Administrative staff as per Regulations	Yes	Complied
g.	Territorial Jurisdiction as per UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 based on TYPE of the HEI	Yes	Complied
h.	Built up area is adequate as per Regulations	Yes	Complied
i.	A copy of the application is displayed on HEI website	Yes	Complied

j.	Only For Central/State/Private HEIs: Submission of Affidavit for offering UG, PG and PGD programmes falling under the discipline of Management, Computer Applications and Travel and Tourism: Original (Hard copy) In the prescribed format along with proposed programmes name Duly notarized Duly signed (For Dual Mode Universities- VC/Registrar and Director CDOE) and (For Open Universities - VC and Registrar)	Yes Yes Yes Yes	Complied
k.	For 4-year Bachelor's Degree (Hons.) programme: Approval of statutory body of HEI for offering the 4-year Bachelor's Degree (Hons.) programme, based on NEP recommendations	Yes	Complied

2. Programme Level Assessment

1. Proposed Programmes Name (other than Science programme(s))

Assessment Points Name of Programme(s) with Duration	I. No. of Credits	II. Programme offered in Conventional mode along with no. of batch passed out (For Dual Mode HEIs)	III. Equivalence to Conventional mode (For Dual Mode HEIs)	IV. Faculty	V. PPR & SLM	VI. Assessment	VII. Regulatory Authority (RA) Approval; if applicable	Complied (C) / Not Complied (NC)
BACHELOR OF COMMERCE (HONS) – (4 years)	160	NA	NA	No	Yes	Yes	NA	Not Complied
BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (HISTORY/POLITICAL SCIENCE/SOCIOLOGY/ECONOMICS/ HINDI/ENGLISH/GEOGRAPHY/SANSKRIT/DHRUPAD/MUSIC/URDU/ENVIRONMENT SCIENCE/FINE ARTS) – (4 years)	160	NA	NA	No	No	Yes	NA	Not Complied
BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (HONS) – (4 years)	160	NA	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	NA	Complied
MASTER OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL EDUCATION) – (2.5 years)	HEI is advised to follow UGC and Regulatory Authority norms	NA	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Complied
MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (STEM) – (2 years)	80	NA	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	NA	OK
PG DIPLOMA IN TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT – (2 years)	80	NA	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	NA	OK
POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN DISABILITY, REHABILITATION AND MANAGEMENT – (2 years)	HEI is advised to follow UGC and Regulatory Authority norms	NA	NA	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Not Complied
POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN REHABILITATION PSYCHOLOGY - (2 years)	HEI is advised to follow UGC and Regulatory Authority norms	NA	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Complied

Note: Checklist of Assessment points –I (1AP), II (4APs), III (5APs), IV (3APs), V (7APs), VI (1AP) and VII (2AP) are given below the table.

2.2 Proposed Science based Programme

HEI eligible for offering science programme(s) (Eligibility: NAAC score of 3.26 and above or by the Open universities or by the HEI having rank in top-100 in University category of NIRF, at least twice in three preceding cycles)	Open University
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Assessment Points Name of Programme(s) with Duration	I. No. of Credits	II. Programme offered in Conventional mode along with no. of batch passed out (For Dual Mode HEIs)	III. Equivalence to Conventional mode (For Dual Mode HEIs)	IV. Faculty	V. PPR & SLM	VI. Assessment	VII. RA Approval; if applicable	VIII. Intake & LSC	Complied (C) / Not Complied (NC)
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) (CYBER SECURITY) – (4 years)	160	NA	NA	No	Yes	Yes	NA	Yes	Not Complied
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) (DATA SCIENCE) – (4 years)	160	NA	NA	No	Yes	Yes	NA	Yes	Not Complied
BACHELOR OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS (HONS) – (4 years)	160	NA	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	NA	Yes	Complied
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) (PHYSICS/CHEMISTRY/ZOOLOGY/MATHEMATICS/STATISTICS/ ECONOMIC/BOTANY/GEOLOGY/ENVIRONMENT SCIENCE/ COMPUTER SCIENCE) – (4 years)	160	NA	NA	No	No	Yes	NA	Yes	Not Complied
POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA (FINTECH) – (2 years)	80	NA	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	NA	Yes	OK
POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA (CYBER LAW) – (2 years)	80	NA	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Not Complied
POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA (ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND DATA SCIENCE) – (2 years)	80	NA	NA	Yes	Yes	Yes	NA	Yes	OK

Note: Checklist of Assessment points - I(1AP), II(4APs), III (5APs), IV (3APs), V (7APs), VI(1AP), VII(2AP) and VIII(3APs) are given below the table.

Programme Level Assessment Checklist:

I. No. of Credits

a. Number of Credits for proposed programme(s) as per UGC Guidelines/Norms/Regulations.

III. Equivalence to Conventional mode (For Dual Mode HEIs)

- Same Entry Level Qualifications
- Same Curriculum
- Same Teaching-Learning Scheme
- Same Pattern of Question Papers for End Semester Examination or Term End Examination
- Same Pass or Fail Criteria

II. Programme offered in Conventional mode(For Dual Mode HEIs)

- Programme offered in conventional mode with same nomenclature
- One batch passed out
- Compliance of programme offered not only through affiliated colleges
- For 4-year Bachelor's Degree (Hons.) programme: points a, b and c above shall be applicable to corresponding 3 year Bachelor's Degree programme

IV. Faculty

- Adequate Faculty availability
- Faculty on 'full-time' dedicated basis
- Appropriate designations

V. PPR & SLM

- a. PPR approved by HEI Statutory Authorities
- b. SLM approved by HEI Statutory Authorities
- c. Format of PPR as per Annexure V
- d. Minimum 60% contents developed in-house and details of outsourced content (if applicable)
- e. SLM preparedness
- f. Plagiarism check report
- g. For 4-year Bachelor's Degree (Hons.) programme only: PPR mentioning major subjects

VII. Regulatory Authority Approval; if applicable

- a. Specific approval of the programme mentioning the mode of delivery & academic year
- b. As per 578th Commission decision, Central or State or Private Universities don't require prior approval/recommendation/NOC from AICTE for offering of Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Postgraduate Diploma programmes falling under the discipline of Management, Computer Applications and Travel and Tourism. However, Deemed to be Universities are still required to seek prior approval/recommendation/ NOC of AICTE for offering of such programmes in ODL and/or Online mode

VI. Assessment

- a. Minimum 70% summative assessment (term end examination) and Maximum 30% formative assessment

VIII. Intake & LSC

- a. Intake – max. 3 times the conventional intake
- b. Programme to be offered from the Head Quarters and/or only from such Learner Support Centres which are offering same programme under conventional mode at least for seven years
- c. In case of Open University, intake shall be commensurate with the capacity of the Learner Support Centres (for Open and Distance Learning only) to provide lab facilities to the admitted learners

3. Compliance to defects/deficiencies communicated during screening process:

Sr. No.	Defect/Deficiency	Document submitted (Yes/No)	Relevance of submitted document in respect of deficiency	Complied (C) / Not Complied (NC)	Remarks, if any
1.	Affidavit to be submitted (in hard copy) as per prescribed format (format attached).	Yes	Yes	Complied	
2.	Undertaking to be submitted (as per revised format) in hard copy (format attached)	Yes	Yes	Complied	
3.	Appointment letters along with joining reports and qualification for Head of Schools to be submitted	Yes	Yes	Complied	
4.	Appointment letters along with joining report and Qualification of faculty for all proposed programmes to be submitted.	Yes	Yes	Complied	
5.	Statutory body approval for PPR and SLM of proposed programmes is not submitted. Signed Minutes of Academic Council/Statutory Body regarding approval of PPR and SLM of proposed programmes to be submitted.	Yes	Yes	Complied	
6.	PPR is submitted for M.Ed. Spl. Ed. (HI/VI/ID/LD) instead of proposed Master of Education (Sp. Ed.) programme.	Yes	Yes	Complied	
7.	PPR of proposed PGD in Disability, Rehabilitation and Management and PGD in Rehabilitation Psychology are not as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes) Regulations, 2020	Yes	Yes	Complied	
8.	Preparedness of SLMs for proposed programmes is not as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes) Regulations, 2020	Yes	Yes (Except for BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (HISTORY/POLITICAL SCIENCE/SOCIOLOGY/ECONOMICS/ HINDI/ENGLISH/GEOGRAPHY/SANSKRIT/DHRUPAD/MUSIC/URDU/ENVIRONMENT SCIENCE/FINE ARTS) and BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) (PHYSICS/CHEMISTRY/ZOOLOGY/MATHEMATICS/STATISTICS/ECONOMIC/BOTANY/GEOLOGY/ENVIRONMENT SCIENCE/ COMPUTER SCIENCE programmes)	Complied	
9.	Documentary proof of Science programmes being offered from the Head Quarters and/or only from such Learner Support Centres which are offering same programmes under conventional mode atleast for seven years is to be submitted.	Yes	Yes	Complied	
10.	Regulatory Authority approval for proposed Master of Education (Sp. Ed.), PGD in Disability, Rehabilitation and Management and PGD in Rehabilitation Psychology to be submitted	Yes	Yes	Complied	
11.	HEI needs to submit clarification regarding subject to be offered under Bachelor of Science (Hons) (Physics/ Chemistry/Zoology/Mathematics/Statistics/Economic/Botany/Geology/Environment Science/ Computer Science) and, Bachelor of Arts (Hons) (History/Political Science/ Sociology/ Economics/ Hindi/ English/ Geography/ Sanskrit/ Dhrupad/ Music/ Urdu/ Environment Science/Fine Arts) programme, as nomenclature of the proposed programme is not as per Specification of Degrees, 2014 and its amendments. HEI also needs to submit revised PPR for the same	Yes	No	Not Complied	
12.	Plagiarism reports for SLMs developed In-house are to be submitted.	Yes	Yes	Complied	

13.	Minimum credit criteria per semester or year is not followed for all proposed programmes	Yes	Yes	Complied	
14.	HEI needs to submit approval from Bar Council of India for proposed PGD (Cyber Law) programme	No	No	Not Complied	
15.	HEI may submit affidavit in prescribed format (format attached) for proposed BACHELOR OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS (HONS), BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (HONS), MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (STEM), PG DIPLOMA IN TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT, POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA (FINTECH), POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA (CYBER LAW) and POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA (ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND DATA SCIENCE) programmes	Yes	Yes	Complied	
All defects/ deficiencies complied			Yes	Complied	

Note:- a) Programme(s) under the ambit of Regulatory Authorities have been considered on the basis of communication/recommendation received separately from respective Regulatory Authority. In case of approval/recommendation received from Regulatory Authority, HEI shall abide the conditions such as number of seats, valid academic year etc. mentioned in the relevant Regulatory Authority letter.

b) As per 578th Commission decision, Central or State or Private Universities don't require prior approval/recommendation/NOC from AICTE for offering of Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Postgraduate Diploma programmes falling under the discipline of Management, Computer Applications and Travel and Tourism. However, Deemed to be Universities are still required to seek prior approval/recommendation/ NOC of AICTE for offering of such programmes in ODL and/or Online mode.

4. Recommendations Summary

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Recommended /Not Recommended	Remarks, if recommended/ Reason(s); if not recommended
1.	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) (CYBER SECURITY) - (4 years)	Not Recommended	Faculty is not appointed as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes).
2.	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) (DATA SCIENCE) - (4 years)	Not Recommended	Faculty is not appointed as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes).
3.	BACHELOR OF COMPUTER APPLICATIONS (HONS) - (4 years)	Recommended	
4.	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) (PHYSICS/CHEMISTRY/ZOOLOGY/MATHEMATICS/STATISTICS/ECONOMIC/BOTANY/GEOLOGY/ENVIRONMENT SCIENCE/COMPUTER SCIENCE)- (4 years)	Not Recommended	1. HEI has not submitted clarification regarding subject to be offered under Bachelor of Science (Hons) Regulations, 2020. 2. Faculty is not appointed as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes) Regulations, 2020. 3. Nomenclature of the programme is not as per Specification of Degrees, 2014 and its amendment. 4. PPR and SLM are not as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes) Regulations, 2020.
5.	BACHELOR OF COMMERCE (HONS) - (4 years)	Not Recommended	Faculty is not appointed as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes).
6.	BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (HISTORY/POLITICAL SCIENCE/SOCIOLOGY/ECONOMICS/ HINDI/ENGLISH/GEOGRAPHY/SANSKRIT/DHRUPAD/ MUSIC/URDU/ENVIRONMENT SCIENCE/FINE ARTS) - (4 years)	Not Recommended	1. HEI has not submitted clarification regarding subject to be offered under Bachelor of Arts (Hons) Regulations, 2020. 2. Faculty is not appointed as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes) Regulations, 2020. 3. Nomenclature of the programme is not as per Specification of Degrees, 2014 and its amendment. 4. PPR and SLM are not as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes) Regulations, 2020.
7.	BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (HONS) - (4 years)	Recommended	
8.	MASTER OF EDUCATION (SPECIAL EDUCATION) - (2.5 years)	Recommended	

9.	MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (STEM) - (2 years)	Under Consideration	Policy decision awaited.
10.	PG DIPLOMA IN TRIBAL DEVELOPMENT - (2 years)	Under Consideration	Policy decision awaited.
11.	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN DISABILITY, REHABILITATION AND MANAGEMENT- (2 years)	Not Recommended	Faculty is not appointed as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes) Regulations, 2020.
12.	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA IN REHABILITATION PSYCHOLOGY- (2 years)	Recommended	
13.	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA (FINTECH) - (2 years)	Under Consideration	Policy decision awaited.
14.	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA (CYBER LAW) - (2 years)	Not Recommended	Regulatory body approval is not submitted.
15.	POST GRADUATE DIPLOMA (ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND DATA SCIENCE) - (2 years)	Under Consideration	Policy decision awaited.

5. Overall Remarks, if any:

1. HEI shall offer the programmes found complied in Table 4 above from the academic year 2024-25, academic session beginning October, 2024 (revised from July-August, 2024) and onwards.

University Grants Commission

Distance Education Bureau

Recommendations of the Standing Appellate Committee (SAC) – For ODL Programmes

Name of HEI	M.P. Bhoj (Open) University
State	Madhya Pradesh
Year of establishment of HEI	1991
Type of HEI	State Open
Mode (Single /Dual mode)	Single Mode
Registration ID	HEI-P-U-0278
Number of ODL Programmes 'Recommended'	UG-02, PG-02, PGD-04
Number of ODL Programmes 'NOT Recommended'	UG-05, PGD-02
Date of UGC Communication to HEI	07-10-2024 & 29.10.2024
Date of Appeal Received	06-11-2024

I. Appeal Received Status:

Number of UG Programme(s)	Total: 03 UG (Hons. programme(s) with 4 years duration):03
Number of PG programmes(s)	Nil
Number of Post Graduate Diploma programme(s)	01

Payment Amount	47200
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II. Recommendations

1. Institutional Level Compliance status (as applicable):

1.1 Institutional Compliance status:

Reason(s) for 'NOT Recommended'	Details of documentary evidence received	Complied (C) / Not Complied (NC) as per Regulation
		Nil

1.2 For 4-year Bachelor's Degree (Hons.) programme (For Dual Mode HEIs):

Approval of statutory body of HEI for offering the 4-year Bachelor's Degree (Hons.) programme, based on NEP recommendations: **Yes**

3. Affidavit is submitted regarding offering of BBA/BCA/BMS/MBA/MCA/PGD/Travel and Tourism programmes (For Central/State/Private HEIs):
NA

2. Programme Level Compliance status

1. Programme wise Status (other than Science programme)

Note: Checklist of Assessment points (I, II, III, IV and V) are at last page.

2. Science based Programme Status: -

Note: Checklist of Assessment points (I, II, III, IV, V and VI) are at last page.

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1	Bachelor of Arts (Hons) - History/Political Science/Sociology/Economics/Hindi/English/Geography/Sanskrit/Dhrupad/Music/Urdu/Environment Science/Fine Arts - 4 years	<p>1. HEI has not submitted clarification regarding subject to be offered under Bachelor of Arts (Hons) programme.</p> <p>2. Faculty is not appointed as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes) Regulations, 2020.</p> <p>3. Nomenclature of the programme is not as per Specification of Degrees, 2014 and its amendment.</p> <p>4. PPR and SLM are not as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes) Regulations, 2020.</p>	Yes	Complied	160	NA	Yes	Yes	NA	NA
			Yes	Complied						
			Yes	Complied						

			Yes	Complied						
2.	Bachelor of Commerce (Hons) - 4 years	Faculty is not appointed as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes) Regulations, 2020.	Yes	Complied	160	NA	Yes	Yes	NA	NA
3.	Post Graduate Diploma- (Cyber Law) - 2 years	Regulatory body approval is not submitted.	Yes	Not Complied (Law is prohibited as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL programmes) Regulations, 2020)	80	-	-	-	-	-

HEI eligible for offering science programmes

(Eligibility: NAAC score of 3.26 and above or by the Open universities or by the HEI having rank in top-100 in University category of NIRF, at least twice in three preceding cycles)

Yes, Open University

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Sr. No.	Programme Name	Recommendations	Reason(s); if not recommended
1	Bachelor of Arts (Hons) - History/Political Science/Sociology/Economics/Hindi/English/Geography/Sanskrit/Dhrupad/Music/Urdu/Environment Science/Fine Arts- 4 years*	Appeal disposed off (appeal rejected)/to be considered (recommended for recognition) (Recommended as Bachelor of Arts (Hons) - Political Science)	
2	Bachelor of Commerce (Hons) - 4 years	To be considered- (recommended for recognition)- 4 years	
3	Bachelor of Science (Hons) Physics/Chemistry/Zoology/Mathematics/Statistics/Economic/Botany/Geology/Environment Science/Computer Science- 4 years*	To be considered- (recommended for recognition) (Recommended as Bachelor of Science (Hons) – Chemistry)	

4	Post Graduate Diploma- Cyber Law- 2 years	Appeal disposed off (appeal rejected)	As per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL programmes) Regulations, 2020, programme in the law and its allied discipline is prohibited to be offered in ODL and Online mode.
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b) As per 578th Commission decision, Central or State or Private Universities don't require prior approval/recommendation/NOC from AICTE for offering of Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Postgraduate Diploma programmes falling under the discipline of Management, Computer Applications and Travel and Tourism. However, Deemed to be Universities are still required to seek prior approval/recommendation/ NOC of AICTE for offering of such programmes in ODL and/or Online mode.

4. Overall Remarks, if any:

1. HEI shall offer the Programmes found recommended in Table 3 above from the academic year 2024-25, the academic session beginning February, 2025 and onwards.
2. *Bachelor of Arts (Hons) - History/Political Science/Sociology/Economics/Hindi/English/Geography/Sanskrit/Dhrupad/Music/Urdu/Environment Science/Fine Arts is **recommended as Bachelor of Arts (Hons) - Political Science.**
3. *Bachelor of Science (Hons) -Physics/Chemistry/Zoology/Mathematics/Statistics/Economic/Botany/Geology/Environment Science/ Computer Science **is recommended as as Bachelor of Science (Hons) – Chemistry.**

Programme Level Assessment Checklist:

I. No. of Credits

- a. Number of Credits for proposed programme(s) as per UGC Guidelines/Norms/Regulations.

II. Programme offered in Conventional mode (P.O.C.M.)

- a. Programme offered in conventional mode with same nomenclature
- b. One batch passed out
- c. Compliance of programme offered not only through affiliated colleges
- d. For 4-year Bachelor's Degree (Hons.) programme: points a, b and c above shall be applicable to corresponding 3 year Bachelor's Degree programme

III. Faculty

- a. Adequate Faculty availability
- b. Faculty on 'full-time' dedicated basis
- c. Appropriate designations

IV. PPR & SLM

- a. PPR approved by HEI Statutory Authorities
- b. SLM approved by HEI Statutory Authorities
- c. Format of PPR as per Annexure V
- d. Minimum 60% contents developed in-house and details of outsourced content (if applicable)
- e. SLM preparedness
- f. Plagiarism check report
- g. For 4-year Bachelor's Degree (Hons.) programme only: PPR mentioning major subjects

V. Regulatory Authority Approval; if applicable

- a. Specific approval of the programme mentioning the mode of delivery and academic year
- b. As per 578th Commission decision, Central or State or Private Universities don't require prior approval/recommendation/NOC from AICTE for offering of Undergraduate, Postgraduate and Postgraduate Diploma programmes falling under the discipline of Management, Computer Applications and Travel and Tourism. However, Deemed to be Universities are still required to seek prior approval/recommendation/ NOC of AICTE for offering of such programmes in ODL and/or Online mode.

VI.* Intake (MBA/PGD/Travel and Tourism)

- a. As per UGC “Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Assessment of BBA/BCA/BMS/MBA/ MCA/ travel and tourism/PGD programmes in ODL and Online mode for Central or State or Private Universities”.

VI.# Intake and LSC (for science programmes only):

- a. Intake – max. 3 times the conventional intake
- b. Programme to be offered from the Head Quarters and/or only from such Learner Support Centres which are offering same programme under conventional mode atleast for seven years.
- c. In case of Open University, intake shall be commensurate with the capacity of the Learner Support Centres (for Open and Distance Learning only) to provide lab facilities to the admitted learners.
- d. For MCA programme, intake shall be as per UGC “Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Assessment of BBA/BCA/BMS/MBA/ MCA/ travel and tourism/PGD programmes in ODL and Online mode for Central or State or Private Universities”.



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F.No. S-17/2024 (DEB-I)

February, 2025

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24 FEB 2025

Sub: Commission Order on the application submitted online by the Higher Educational Institution (HEI) for recognition of the programmes to be offered in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from academic year 2024-25 onwards-regarding.

Sir/Madam,

- UGC has notified the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments. Regulations 3, 4 and 5 describe the eligibility criterion for HEI, the process of application and the approval process for ODL and Online Programmes whereas Regulation 6 describes provisions of the right to appeal by the HEIs aggrieved with the order of the Commission.
- The Commission invited online applications from the eligible HEIs for recognition of the programmes under ODL from academic year 2024-25, academic session beginning October 2024 (revised from July-August, 2024) and onwards vide Public Notice F. No. 3-4/2024 (DEB-I) Pt. file dated 25th July, 2024.
- Application received from **M. P. Bhoj (Open) University, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh** for recognition of ODL programmes was assessed by Interface Expert Committee (IEC)/Standing Appellate Committee (SAC) duly constituted by the Chairman, UGC. The details of the meetings are as under:

Sr.No.	Name of the Committee	Date of meeting	Date of recommendation sheet shared with the HEI
For ODL Programmes:			
1.	Interface Expert Committee (IEC)	29.08.2024 and 23.09.2024 & 23.10.2024	07.10.2024 & 29.10.2024
2.	Standing Appellate Committee (SAC)	12.12.2024	07.01.2025

- Based on the recommendations of IEC/SAC and its approval by Competent Authority/Commission, I am directed to issue this Order, thereby communicating the programme-wise recognition for the programmes to be offered in **ODL mode** from academic year 2024-25 onwards.
- Programme wise recognition status**

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(i) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Recognized from academic session October, 2024 (revised from July-August, 2024):**

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Period of Recognition
1.	Bachelor of Computer Applications (Hons) – (4 Years)	From academic year 2024-25, academic session beginning October 2024 (revised from July-August, 2024) to 2028-29 (upto January-February, 2029) only
2.	Bachelor of Business Administration (Hons) – (4 Years)	
3.	Master of Education (Special Education) – (2.5 Years)	
4.	Master of Business Administration (STEM) – (2 Years) (Learner intake shall be limited to 360 intake)	
5.	PG Diplome in Tribal Development – (2 Years) (Learner intake shall be limited to 90 intake)	
6.	Post Graduate Diploma (Fintech) – (2 Years) (Learner intake shall be limited to 200 intake)	
7.	Post Graduate Diploma (Artificial Intelligence and Data Science) – (2 Years) (Learner intake shall be limited to 90 intake)	
8.	Post Graduate Diploma in Rehabilitation Psychology – (2 Years)	

Note:- I. For Master of Education (Special Education) Programme:- Master of Education (Special Education) programmes (falling under the ambit of NCTE) has been considered on the basis of communication/NOC/approval/recommendations received from the NCTE as applicable. The HEI shall strictly abide by the conditions such as nomenclature, valid academic year, period of recognition etc. mentioned in the relevant Regulatory Authority letter while offering M.Ed. (Special Education) programme in ODL mode.

II. For MBA Programmes:- The Expert Committee has recommended that HEI shall adhere to the specified learner intake of 360 learners for Master of Business Administration (STEM) programme listed in the table above.

(ii) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Recognized from academic session February, 2025 (on the basis of the recommendations of the SAC*):**

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Period of Recognition
1.	*Bachelor of Arts (Hons) – Political Science (4 Years)	From academic year 2024-25, academic session beginning February 2025 to 2029-30 (upto July-August, 2029) only
2.	Bachelor of Commerce (Hons) – (4 Years)	
3.	**Bachelor of Science (Hons) – Chemistry – (4 Years)	

The recommendations of the IEC have been reversed by the SAC

Note:- *Proposed as Bachelor of Arts (Hons) – History/Political Science/Sociology/Economics/Hindi/English/Geography/Sanskrit/Dhrupad/Music/Urdhu/Environment Science/Fine Arts programmes is recommended as Bachelor of Arts (Hons) – Political Science (4 Years).

**Proposed as Bachelor of Science (Hons) Physics/Chemistry/Zoology/Mathematics/Statistics/Economic/Botany/Geology/Environment Science/Computer Science programmes is recommended as Bachelor of Science (Hons) – Chemistry – (4 Years).

(iii) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Not Recognised:**

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Reason for non-recognition
1.	Bachelor of Science (Hons) (Cyber Security) - (4 Years)	Faculty is not appointed as per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL Programmes)
2.	Bachelor of Science (Hons) (Data Science) - (4 Years)	
3.	Post Graduate Diploma in Disability, Rehabilitation and Management - (2 Years)	
4.	Post Graduate Diploma - Cyber Law - (2 Years)	As per UGC (ODL Programmes and OL programmes) Regulations, 2020, programme in the law and its allied discipline is prohibited to be offered in ODL and Online mode.

6. For the programmes recognized in the aforementioned table, the HEI shall comply with all the provisions of the UGC (ODL Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments while offering the programmes in ODL mode.
7. The application of the HEI stands closed.
8. In the event any HEI is found offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode without recognition of the Commission or in violation to any of the provisions of these regulations and guidelines or orders made there under, the Commission may take actions as per regulation 7 of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.
9. The decision of the Commission shall be final and binding on the HEI.

Yours faithfully,


(Neera Chopra)
Under Secretary

Copy to:

1. The Secretary, Higher Education, Govt. of Madhya Pradesh, 5th Floor, Satpura Bhawan, Department of Higher Education, Bhopal - 462004 (with a request to ensure that HEI adheres to all the provisions of the UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments).
2. The Economic Advisor, Distance Learning Section, MoE, Govt. of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110 001.
3. The Member Secretary, All India Council for Technical Education, Nelson Mandela Road, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110069.
4. The Joint Secretary, State University Bureau, UGC, 35, Feroze Shah Road, Mandi House, New Delhi -110 001.


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17 MAR 2025

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Sir/Madam,

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- The Commission invited online applications from the eligible HEIs for recognition of the programmes under ODL mode and/or Online mode from academic year 2024-25, academic session beginning February, 2025 and onwards vide Public Notice **F. No. 1-32/2024 (DEB-I)** dated **14th October, 2024**.
- Application received from **M. P. Bhoj (Open) University, Bhopal, Madhya Pradesh** for recognition of **ODL programmes** was assessed by Virtual Interface Expert Committee (IEC) duly constituted by the Chairman, UGC. The details of the meetings is as under:

Sr.No.	Name of the Committee	Date of meeting	Date of recommendation sheet shared with the HEI
For ODL Programmes:			
1.	Interface Expert Committee (IEC)	14.01.2025	18.02.2025

- Based on the recommendations of IEC and its approval by Competent Authority/Commission, I am directed to issue this Order, thereby communicating the programme-wise recognition for the programmes to be offered in **ODL mode** from academic year 2024-25, academic session beginning February, 2025 and onwards.
- Programme wise recognition status**
 - Open and Distance Learning Programmes Recognized: 04 (Four)**

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Period of Recognition
1.	*BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) HINDI – 4 years	2024-25, academic session beginning February 2025 to 2029-30 (up to July-August)
2.	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) (CYBER	

	SECURITY) - 4 years	2029 only).
3.	BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) (DATA SCIENCE) - 4 years	
4.	**BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) BOTANY - 4 years	

Note- *Proposed BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) (HISTORY/POLITICAL SCIENCE/ SOCIOLOGY/ECONOMICS/HINDI/ENGLISH/GEOGRAPHY/SANSKRIT) programme is recommended as BACHELOR OF ARTS (HONS) HINDI (4 years).

** Proposed BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) (PHYSICS/CHEMISTRY/ZOOLOGY/MATHEMATICS/STATISTICS/ECONOMY/BOTANY/ENVIRONMENT SCIENCE/COMPUTER SCIENCE) Programme is recommended as BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (HONS) BOTANY - (4 years).

(ii) Open and Distance Learning Programmes not Recognized: Nil

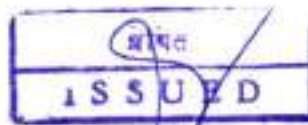
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- The application of the HEI for academic year 2024-25, academic session beginning February, 2025 and onwards stands closed.
- In the event any HEI is found offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode without recognition of the Commission or in violation to any of the provisions of these regulations and guidelines or orders made there under, the Commission may take actions as per regulation 7 of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments.
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