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## Public Notice

Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs) are recognized/ declared entitled by the UGC for offering ODL and/or Online programmes as per the UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendment. The details of the HEIs and the programmes recognized /entitled by UGC is available on <https://deb.ugc.ac.in>.

The Regulations mandate that these HEIs shall not offer ODL and/or Online programme(s) under any franchise arrangement and the HEIs themselves are completely responsible for the programme(s).

However, it has come to the notice of UGC recently that some EdTech companies are giving advertisements in newspaper / social media / television etc. that they are offering degree and diploma programmes in ODL/Online modes in association with some universities/institutions recognized/entitled by the UGC.

**Such a franchisee arrangement is not permissible and action will be taken against defaulting EdTech companies as well as HEIs under applicable laws/ rules/ regulations.**

All the students are also hereby advised that they should check the recognition/entitlement status of the programmes on UGC(DEB) website mentioned above before enrolling in any course.

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