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The Registrar
Assam Don Bosco University
Kamarkuchi, Sonapur Tapesia
Distt. Kamrup - 782407
Guwahati

24 MAR 2026

Sub: Commission Order on the application submitted online by the Higher Educational Institution (HEI) for recognition of the programme(s) to be offered in Online mode from academic year 2025-26, academic session beginning February, 2026 and onwards-regarding.

Madam/Sir,

1. 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.
2. The Commission invited online applications from the eligible HEIs for recognition of the programmes under ODL and Online mode from academic year 2025-26, academic session beginning February, 2026 and onwards vide Public Notice **F. No. 1-4/2025 (DEB-NER)** dated **21st October, 2025**.
3. Application received from **Assam Don Bosco University, Assam** for recognition of Online programmes was assessed by Virtual 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 OL Programmes:			
1.	Interface Expert Committee (IEC)	30.12.2025	21.01.2026
2.	Standing Appellate Committee (SAC)	24.02.2026	27.02.2026

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4. Based on the recommendations of Interface Expert Committee (IEC)/Standing Appellate Committee (SAC) and its approval by Competent Authority/Commission, I am directed to issue this order, thereby communicating the programme-wise recognition for the programmes.

5. **Programme wise recognition status**

(i) **Online Programme Recognized (on the basis of the recommendations of the IEC):**
01 Programme

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Period of recognition
1.	Bachelor of Business Administration (General)- 3 years	Academic year 2025-26, academic session beginning February, 2026 to 2030-31 (upto July-August, 2030 only)

(ii) **Online Programmes Recognized (on the basis of the recommendations of the SAC):** 02 Programmes

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Period of recognition
1.	Bachelor of Computer Applications- 3 years	Academic year 2025-26, academic session beginning February, 2026 to 2030-31 (upto July-August, 2030 only)
2.	Master of Arts (Public Administration)- 2 years	

** The recommendations of the IEC have been reversed by the SAC.


6. The application of the HEI for **the academic year 2025-26, academic session beginning February, 2026 and onwards stands closed.**
7. In the event any HEI is found offering programmes in Online 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.
8. The decision of the Commission shall be final and binding on the HEI.

Yours faithfully,


(Dr Nand kishor)
Under Secretary

Copy to:

1. The Secretary, Higher Education, Government of Assam, Assam Secretariat, Block 'C', 3rd floor, Assam, Guwahati - 781006 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 - 110001.
3. The Vice Chancellor, Assam Don Bosco University, Kamarkuchi, Sonapur Tapesia, Distt. Kamrup, Guwahati - 782407 Assam.
4. The Joint Secretary, Private University Bureau, UGC, Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg, New Delhi - 110002.


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