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F.No. 1-1/2026 (DEB-SER) **August, 2026**

The Registrar
Sri Padmavati Mahila Vishwavidyalayam
Padmavati Nagar
Near West Railway Station
Tirupati- 517 502
Andhra Pradesh

13 AUG 2026

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 2026-27, academic session beginning August, 2026 and onwards-regarding.

Sir/Madam,

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 mode and/or Online mode from academic year 2026-27, academic session beginning August, 2026 vide Public Notice F. No. 1-4/2026 (DEB-NWR) dated 23rd April, 2026.

3. Application received from **Sri Padmavati Mahila Vishwavidyalayam, Andhra Pradesh** for recognition of **ODL** programmes was assessed by the Interface Expert Committee (IEC) duly constituted by the Chairman, UGC. The detail of the meeting 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)	17.06.2026	29.06.2026

4. Based on the recommendations of Interface Expert Committee (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 2026-27, academic session beginning August, 2026 and onwards.

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5. **Programme wise recognition status**

(i) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Recognized: 01 (One)**

Sr. No.	Programme Name	Period of Recognition
1.	BACHELOR OF EDUCATION - 2 years	Academic year 2026-27, academic session beginning from August, 2026 and February, 2027 only.

Note: -Programme has been recognised on the basis of Communication/recommendations of NCTE, submitted by HEI. The HEI shall strictly abide by the conditions such as nomenclature, valid academic year, credits, period of recognitions intake, etc. mentioned in the relevant regulatory authority letter.

(ii) **Open and Distance Learning Programmes Not Recognized: NIL**

6. For the programme recognized in the aforementioned table, the HEI shall comply with all the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 and its amendments while offering the programmes in ODL mode.

7. The application of the HEI under ODL mode for academic year 2026-27, academic session beginning August, 2026 **stands closed.**

8. In the event any HEI is found offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode and/or 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.

9. The decision of the Commission shall be final and binding on the HEI.

Yours faithfully,

12/08/26

(Dr. Naresh Pal Meena)
Education Officer

Copy to:

1. The Secretary, Higher Education, Government of Andhra Pradesh, Telangana Secretariat, Khairtabad, Hyderabad, Telangana - 500 004.
(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, Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi - 110 001.

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3. The Vice Chancellor, Sri Padmavati Mahila Vishwavidyalayam, Padmavati Nagar, Near West Railway Station, Tirupati- 517 502, Andhra Pradesh.

4. The Member Secretary, National Council for Teacher Education, New Delhi G-7, Sector-10, Dwarka, New Delhi – 110 075.

5. The Joint Secretary, State University Bureau, UGC, 35-Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi -110 001.

12/8/26

(Radhey Shyam)
Section Officer