

Government of Odisha
Higher Education Department

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From

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Principal Secretary to Government

To

The Principals (All Government/ Non-Government Degree Colleges coming under Higher Education Department)

The Principals (All Government Teacher Education Institutions coming under Higher Education Department)

Sub: Steps to Improve Teaching- Learning Activities in Higher Education Institutions (HEIs)

Madam/Sir,

An orientation meeting was held with Principals of all Degree Colleges of Odisha (Coming under HE Department) on 02.05.2022 at 3:00 P.M. in Video Conference mode under Chairmanship of Hon'ble Minister, Higher Education Department. From amongst many issues discussed in the said meeting, following are the important ones on which Hon'ble Minister has put maximum emphasis.

1. **Minimum 7 hours duty by college teachers:-**

(Reference: This Department instruction vide Letter No. 13559 dated 05.07.2019 regarding minimum 7hours duty by college teachers).

2. **75% of attendance of college students:-**

(Reference: This Department instruction vide Letter No. 13559 dated 05.07.2019 regarding 75% of attendance of college students).

Due to Covid-19 pandemic, this minimum attendance stipulation had not been enforced strictly in 2020-21 and 2021-22 Academic Years. **It is hereby ordered that this stipulation shall be strictly enforced from 2022-23 Academic year.**

3. **Mentoring System :-**

(Reference: Para-12 of this Department guideline for implementation of "Common Minimum Standard" issued vide Letter No.15275 dated 31.07.2019).

As per mentoring system, each teacher must be assigned to a group of students as their Proctor/Mentor/Counsellor. The teacher will ensure that his/her assigned students lead a disciplined, productive and satisfying college life. For this, the teacher concerned should remain in frequent contact with his/her assigned students as well as their parents and/or local guardians. In a nutshell, the mentor teacher shall act as a Friend-Philosopher-Guide of his/her assigned students. **This mentoring system must be implemented strictly.**

4. **New Compulsory Course 'Ethics and values' (UG AECC) :-**

(Reference: Odisha State Higher Education Council guideline vide Letter No. 876/108 dated 13.12.2021). **This course must be taught to students with full seriousness.**

5. **New Compulsory Revised Course 'Environmental Studies and Disaster Management' (UG AECC-Semester-I):-**

(Reference: Odisha State Higher Education Council vide Letter No.663 dated 05.10.2021). **This course must be taught to students with full seriousness.**

6. **Juba-Sanskaar Programme:-**

(Reference: This Department Letter No.52514/HE, dated 23.12.2021). **This program shall be conducted with all seriousness.**

7. **Verification of PwD Certificates of Students to Detect Fake Certificates:-**

(Reference: This Department instruction vide Letter No.2868 dated 24.01.2022).

8. **e-Lectures:-**

e-Lectures portal for under graduate courses was launched by Department of Higher Education, Government of Odisha on 8th July, 2021. Teachers and Students can visit the website <https://vtputkal.odisha.gov.in> to download e-Lectures contents for their study.

9. **Private Coaching:-**

(Reference: Para-15 of this Department guideline for implementation of "Common Minimum Standard" issued vide Letter No.15275 dated 31.07.2019). **Strong action shall be taken against teaching and non-teaching employees found involved in private coaching/ tuition.**

This is for your information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,


28.06.2022
Principal Secretary to Government

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Copy forwarded to P.S to Hon'ble Minister, Higher Education Department for kind information of Hon'ble Minister.



Principal Secretary to Government

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Copy forwarded to the Vice- Chairperson, OSHEC, Odisha Text Book Bureau, A-11, Suka Vihar, Bhubaneswar for kind information.



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Copy forwarded to all Regional Directors of Education (Bhubaneswar/ Balasore/ Berhampur/ Sambalpur/ Jeypore) for information and necessary action.



Principal Secretary to Government 28.06.2022