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Issues Related to Examinations and Academic Calendar

Dear Madam/Sir,

In view of the COVID-19 pandemic, the UGC has issued a number of guidelines/advisories to educational institutions, from time to time, in order to contain its spread. However, it is also necessary to continue with the teaching-learning process through various modes while maintaining social distancing, health and safety of all concerned. Some of the initiatives taken by UGC in this regard include precautionary and preventive measures to combat COVID-19, ICT enabled on-line learning, safety and care of hostel residents, mental health and well-being of stakeholders, immunity boosting measures of Aayush for self-care, engagement of academic fraternity for implementing UGC Quality Mandate initiatives etc. All the circulars/notices/advisories issued on these initiatives are available on UGC website i.e. www.ugc.ac.in.

It is observed that in the present situation, our stakeholders have expressed their concern about the examinations and possible delay in next academic calendar. Taking note of the genuine concerns of the students, teachers, parents and institutions, UGC has already constituted an Expert Committee to deliberate on the issues related to examination and academic calendar and submit its recommendations. The committee is expected to submit its report shortly.

The UGC, after due consultation with the MHRD, will issue appropriate guidelines based on which the universities/colleges may chalk out their plan of action to address the above issues and other related exigencies.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Rajnish Jain)

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1. The Vice-Chancellor of all Universities
2. The Principals of all Colleges

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