No. F.4-543/2014-DL  
Government of India  
Ministry of Human Resource Development  
Department of Higher Education  
Distance Learning Division  
New Delhi, Dated 7th October, 2014

To
Shri S. Anil Kumar  
H.No.8-13/2/1, Flat No.G 2, Sai Residency,  
Road No.3, Hemanagar, Uppal,  
Hyderabad-500039

Subject: -  Seeking of Information under RTI Act, 2005.

Sir,

Kindly refer to your 3 RTI applications dated 18.9.2014 received with the undersigned on 23.9.2014. In this regard the point wise reply as follow:

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<td>Question No. 1</td>
<td>With regard to the recognition of qualifications obtained from Universities / Institutions through distance mode for the purpose of employment under Central Government is concerned, the Ministry of Human Resource Development (Department of Higher Education) has already clarified its position vide Gazette Notification No. 44 dated 1.3.95 (copy enclosed) and valid as on date. As regards employment under State Govt./State PSU’s and other employers, it is for the concerned employer to take a view.</td>
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2. However the fee submitted in the form of RTI application was not in the proper way. The IPO/Demand draft should be addressed in the name of PAO, Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resources Development. The corrected IPO may accordingly be submitted immediately.

3. If you are not satisfied with the reply, you may prefer an appeal to Shri A.K Singh Director (ICT) Department of Higher Education, Ministry of Human Resource Development, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110001 within 30 days of receipt of this reply.

Yours faithfully,

(B.K.Bhadri)
Assistant Educational Adviser (DL) & CPIO
RECOGNITION OF QUALIFICATIONS FOR EMPLOYMENT

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Ministry of Human Resource Development
(Department of Education)

New Delhi
Dated the 1st March, 1995

NOTIFICATION (44)

On the recommendation of the Board of Assessment for Educational Qualifications, the Government of India has decided that all the qualifications awarded through Distance Education by the Universities established by an Act of Parliament or State Legislature, Institutions Deemed to be Universities under Section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 and Institutions of National Importance declared under an Act of Parliament stand automatically recognized for the purpose of employment to posts and services under the Central Government, provided it has been approved by Distance Education Council, Indira Gandhi National Open University, K 76, Hauz Khas, New Delhi-110016 and wherever necessary by All India Council for Technical Education, I.G. Sports Complex, I.P. Estate, New Delhi-110002.

No.F.18-15/93-TD.V/TS.IV

Sd/-

(VIJAY BHARAT)
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4. Regional Offices of the Ministry of Human Resource Development.
5. UPSC with 5 spare copies.
6. SSC, CGO Complex, Lodhi Road, New Delhi.
7. Association of Indian Universities, 16 Kotla Marg, New Delhi-2.
8. DPIO (Ministry of HRD).
9. All State Public Service Commission.
10. All Boards of Apprenticeship Training.
11. All Heads of Universities.
University Grants Commission
Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg
New Delhi-110 002

F. No. UGC/DEB/2013
Dated 14.10.2013

The Registrar/Director
Of all the Indian Universities
(Deemed, State, Central Universities/
Institutions of National importance)

Subject: Equivalence of Degrees awarded by Open and Distance Learning
(ODL) Institutions at par with Conventional Universities/ Institutions

Sir/Madam,

There are a number of Open and Distance Learning Institutions (ODLIs) in
the country offering Degree/ Diploma/Certificate programmes through the mode of
non formal education. These comprise Open Universities, Distance Education
Institutions (either single mode or dual mode) of Central Universities, State
Universities, Deemed to be Universities, Institutions of National Importance or any
other Institution of Higher learning recognized by Central/State/Statutory
Council/Societies registered under the Society Registration Act 1860.

2. A circular was earlier issued vide UGC letter F1 No- 52/2000(CPP-II)
dated May 05, 2004 (copy enclosed) mentioning that Degrees/Diplomas /
Certificates/ awarded by the Open Universities in conformity with the UGC
notification of degrees be treated as equivalent to corresponding awards of the
traditional Universities in the country.

3. Attention is also invited to UGC circular No F1-25/93(CPP-II) dated 28th
July 1993 (copy enclosed) for recognition of degrees and diplomas as well as
transfer of credit for courses successfully completed by students between the two
types of universities so that the mobility of students from Open University stream
to traditional universities/ institutions is ensured without any difficulty.
4. The Government of India, in exercise of its power conferred under section 20(1) of UGC Act 1956, issued directions dated 29th December 2012 entrusting UGC with the responsibility of regulating higher education programme in open and distance learning (ODL) mode. Consequently, Universities/Institutions desirous of offering any programme through distance mode would require recognition of UGC.

5. As you are aware, the Government of India has envisaged a greater role for the Open and the Distance Education System. The envisioned role may be fulfilled by recognizing and treating the Degrees / Diplomas / Certificates awarded through distance mode at par with the degrees obtained through the formal system of education. Open and Distance Education System in the country is contributing a lot in expansion of Higher Education and for achieving target of GER, without compromising on quality. Non recognition/ non equivalence of degrees of ODL institutions for the purpose of promotion/ employment and pursuing higher education may prove a deterrent to many learners and will ultimately defeat the purpose of Open and Distance Education.

6. Accordingly, the Degrees/ Diplomas/ Certificates awarded for programmes conducted by the ODL institutions, recognized by DEC (erstwhile) and UGC, in conformity with UGC Notification on specification of Degrees should be treated as equivalent to the corresponding awards of the Degree/Diploma/Certificate of the traditional Universities/ institutions in the country.

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Encl: As above

Copy to:

2. Secretary, All Indian Council for Technical Education, 7th Floor, Chandra Lok Building, Janpath, New Delhi.
3. Secretary, Association of Indian Universities, AIU House, 16 Comrade Indrajit Gupta Marg (Kotla Marg), New Delhi-110002.
To
The Public Information Officer,
D/O Higher Education, Ministry of HRD,
Sastri Bhavan, New Delhi- 110001.

Date: 19/09/2014

Sir,

Sub: - Recognition of academic qualifications under distance mode recognized by the DEC-IGNOU (erst while)/DEB- UGC NEW DELHI for employment to the posts and services under the central government of India-Seeking information under right to information Act, 2005-reg.

Ref: - 1. The Govt. of India Gazette notification no.44 Dt 01.03.1995.

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I S. Anil Kumar the citizen of India, R/of Hyderabad, Telangana state desires to receive the below information under RTI-Act 2005.

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<td>01.</td>
<td>The Govt. of India Gazette notification No.44 dt 01.03.1995 with regards Qualifications acquired under Distance mode recognized by the Distance education council-IGNOU/Distance education Bureau New Delhi is applicable for Employment/promotions to the below Industries/Companies established under the Dept. Of Public Enterprises (Ministry of Industries and Public enterprises).&lt;br&gt;A) MAHARATNA CPSEs&lt;br&gt;B) NAVARATNA CPSEs&lt;br&gt;C) MINI RATNA CPSEs&lt;br&gt;D) ANY OTHER GOVT OF INDIA UNDER TAKING/GOVT OF INDIA ENTERPRISES COMPANY /INDUSTRY.</td>
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The Requisite fee Rs.10-00 is being enclosed and provides the required information to the given address please.

Thanking you.

Yours faithfully,
(S. Anil Kumar)

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Encl: - Relevant Xerox copies with DPE list.