Affidavit

The University of Kerala, Senate House Campus, Palayam, Thiruvananthapuram – 34, Kerala, India, undertakes to abide by the following terms and conditions duly approved by the statutory bodies of the university;

And accordingly

We, Dr. C.R Prasad, Registrar in Charge and Dr. R Vasanthagopal, Director, Centre for Distance Education & Online Education/Centre for Online Education of University of Kerala, Senate House Campus, Palayam, Thiruvananthapuram – 34, Kerala, India, do hereby solemnly affirm and declare as under:

1. That this Higher Educational Institution namely University of Kerala wishes to apply for the recognition of Open and Distance Learning Programmes and/or Online Programmes (as applicable) to be offered under University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 from the academic session 2020-21.

2. That the deponents have fully understood all clauses, all terms and conditions as stipulated in the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.
3. That the Higher Educational Institution is eligible in all respect to apply for offering programmes through; a) Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode, b) Online Learning mode, OR c) Open and Distance Learning (ODL) and Online Learning mode (as applicable), as per University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.

4. That the Higher Educational Institution after getting programme wise recognition shall scrupulously abide by all the terms and conditions as stipulated under University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 alongwith compliance to all the provisions regarding:

   a) Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA); Annexure-I

   b) Conduct of Examination and Minimum Standards for Examination Centres; Annexure-II
c) Territorial Jurisdiction and Regulating Provisions for different types Of Higher Educational Institutions: Annexure-III

d) Human Resource and Infrastructural Requirements: Annexure-IV

e) Guidelines on Programme Project Report (PPR) : Annexure-V

f) Quality Assurance Guidelines of Learning Material in Multiple Media and Curriculum and Pedagogy: Annexure-VI

g) Guidelines on Self-Learning Material and E-Learning Material: Annexure-VII

h) Learner Support Centres :Annexure-VIII

i) Assessment Criteria for offering Online Programmes through Non-Swayam Learning Platform: Annexure IX

j) Grievance Redress Mechanism: Annexure X

5. That the Higher Educational Institution shall adhere to various directives issued by the Commission from time to time.

6. That the Higher Educational Institution shall not offer prohibited programmes i.e. programmes not permitted to be offered in Open and Distance Learning Mode and Online mode in Higher Education as mentioned in clause (2) of regulation 2 of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.

7. That the Higher Education Institution shall ensure compliance to other relevant UGC Regulations and norms issued by the relevant statutory/regulatory bodies from time to time.

8. That, for the programmes falling under the ambit of a statutory or regulatory authority or regulatory council, the Higher Educational Institution has the approval or recommendations of the respective statutory or regulatory authority or regulatory council for offering the programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode or Online mode, as applicable; and has also submitted the same to UGC along with the application.

9. That the Higher Educational Institution shall ensure to provide all such information asked by UGC and display the same information as per mandatory disclosure of information as stipulated under regulation 9 of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.

10. That the Higher Educational Institution shall not offer any Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Programmes and Online Programmes and admit students thereto unless it has been granted recognition by the Commission and admission shall not be made in anticipation of the recognition.
11. That the Higher Educational Institution undertakes to upload admission details on the portal within the stipulated time as decided by the Commission from time to time.

12. That the Higher Educational Institution is an Open University already recognised for offering Open and Distance Learning Programme(s) or Online Programmes for the academic year 2019-20 and shall obtain NAAC accreditation prior to the completion of the current recognition period, failing which the Commission shall not accord further recognition to Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Programmes and Online Programmes *(Applicable only for Open Universities recognized for 2019-20)*

*(Not Applicable)*

Or

That the Higher Educational Institution is an Open University not recognised for offering Open and Distance Learning Programme(s) or Online Programmes for the academic year 2019-20 and shall obtain NAAC accreditation within one year of becoming eligible, failing which the Commission shall not accord further recognition to Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Programmes and/or Online Programmes *(Applicable only for Open Universities)*.

*(Not Applicable)*

13. That the Higher Educational Institution shall ensure the readiness/availability of E-Learning Material for all years/semesters of proposed online programmes and its uploading on the learning platform before the start of academic session and information about the same shall be intimated to UGC in timely manner as per Annexure-VII of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.

*(Not Applicable)*

14. That the Higher Educational Institution shall ensure the readiness/availability of E-Learning Material for all years/semesters of proposed online programmes and its uploading on the learning platform before the start of academic session and information about the same shall be intimated to UGC in timely manner as per Annexure-VII of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020.
15. That the deponents are fully aware that in case any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the Higher Educational Institution is found to be false or fake at a later stage or in case of any violation, UGC shall take punitive measures as mentioned in Regulation 7 of University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 which includes withdrawal of the recognition of Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Programmes and Online Programmes and may also refer the matter to the Central or State Government as applicable for withdrawal of Higher Educational Institution status. It is the sole responsibility of the Higher Educational Institution for the career consequences of students, if any, arising out of the same.

Verification:

We, the above-named deponents, do hereby verify on 15/10/2020 at Thiruvananthapuram that the contents mentioned above are correct and true statements.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

(Annexed)

ool of Distance Education – Dr. R. Vasanthagopal, Professor – Nomination of Director - Sanctioned
ers Issued.

ADMINISTRATION ‘B.III’ SECTION

Id.B.III.2/1723/2013.

Thiruvananthapuram, Dated : 08.05.2019

2. Item no. 08.64 in the Minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 30.04.2019.

ORDER

Dr. K.S. Zeenath, Associate Professor, School of Distance Education was relieved from the post of
or, School of Distance Education w.e.f. 31.03.2019 and Dr.Lal CA, Associate Professor, School of
ce Education was assigned the full additional charge of Director, School of Distance Education until
orders are issued otherwise vide paper read as (1) above.

The Syndicate vide paper read as (2) above resolved to proceed towards nominating the Professor next in
ity as the Director, SDE as per norms, consequent on Dr. A M Unnikrishnan, Professor relinquishing his
post to the Director.

Dr. R. Vasanthagopal, was placed in the post of Professor w.e.f.03.01.2013, the date of joining in the
rsity of Kerala under Career Advancement Scheme of 2010 Regulations vide paper read as (3) above.

Sanction has therefore been accorded by the Vice-Chancellor to Dr. R. Vasanthagopal, Professor,
 of Distance Education being nominated as Director, School of Distance Education, relieving Dr. Lal
the full additional charge of Director, School of Distance Education subject to reporting to the
ate.

Orders are issued accordingly.

Sd/-
Jayasree S
Deputy Registrar (Admn.IV)
For Registrar

1) Dr.R. Vasanthagopal, Professor, SDE
2) Dr.Lal CA, Associate Professor, SDE
3) Ps to VC / PS to PVC / PA to Registrar
4) The Joint Director, Kerala State Audit Department/Audit I/FinanceIII/IQAC/Ad.Misc
5) Stock File / File Copy.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

PRELIMINARY MINUTES OF THE NINETY-SECOND MEETING OF THE
SYNDICATE HELD ON 25TH MAY, 1974

Place of Meeting: University Buildings, Trivandrum.

PRESENT:

1. Dr. R.S. Krishnan (In the Chair)
   Vice-Chancellor.
2. Shri A.C. Jose
3. Dr. K. Madhavan Kutty
4. Rev. Fr. Mathew Palamattam
5. Shri M.P. Mohammed Jaffer Khan
6. Dr. (Mrs.) Molly Thomas
7. Shri C.S. Neelakantan Nair
8. Dr. M.V. Pylee
9. Shri R. Ramachandran Nair
10. Shri S. Ramachandran Pillai
11. Shri C.Z. Scaria
12. Shri N. Sreekantan Nair
13. Dr. M. Sreenivasan
14. Dr. V.K. Sukumaran Nayar
15. Shri P. Unnikrishna Pillai

The Vice-Chancellor announced at the outset that he had received an invitation to visit Russia for three weeks and that he would be leaving Trivandrum on 31st May. The Chancellor had ordered, it was announced, that the Registrar be put in charge of the current duties of the Vice-Chancellor during the latter's absence.

(V.C.'s Section

SPECIAL ITEM

The Syndicate considered, together with the Controller of Examination's note to the Vice-Chancellor the matter of the leakage of a few question papers of the current University Examinations.

RESOLVED that

(1) the examination in Paper I Non-Chordate, B.Sc. (Final), Degree Examination in Zoology held on 21st April, 1974 be cancelled. This examination and the examination of Economic Paper II (Money and Banking) and Biology Paper II (Hindu Social Institutions) postponed. The examination may be conducted in the second or third week of June.
18. Institution of prizes to the students securing the highest marks in Malayalam in the Pre-Degree Examination regarding

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Publication, Research, Scholarships and Libraries, the request of the Director, State Institute of Languages, Kerala, Trivandrum to consider whether it is possible to institute a formal endowment of a prize in the name of the Institute to the students securing the highest marks in Part I (ii) Malayalam in the Pre-Degree Examination, if the Institute undertakes to supply every year books worth a fixed amount.

RESOLVED that the proposal of the Director, State Institute of Languages be accepted.

(Acad. E)

19. Introduction of Correspondence Course in the University.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Planning and Development and the views of the Vice-Chancellor, the question of constituting a Special Committee to examine the proposal for introduction of correspondence Courses in the University.

RESOLVED that a Special Committee be constituted consisting of the members of the Planning and Development Committee and M/s. N.V. Krishna Warrior, J. Udaya Bhanu, V.S. Ouseph and R. Ramachandran Nair, to examine the above proposal.

(Acad. A)

20. Private Colleges - Rules to govern the seniority of teachers.

DEFERRED for detailed consideration.

(Acad. F.II)

21. Final M.B.B.S. Examination-eligibility of candidates - regarding -

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Examinations and Courses of Studies, the proposal put forward at the
66. The Syndicate considered the minutes of the Special Committee constituted by the Syndicate to examine the proposal for the introduction of Correspondence Courses in the University. (See Minutes of the Special Committee at Appendix III).

RESOLVED that the recommendations of the Special Committee be approved with the change that Shri R. Ramachandran Nair and Shri C.K. Devassy be deputed to Madurai University instead of to Mysore University to study the working of the Correspondence Course.

(Ac.A)

67. Appointment of Rev. Fr. George Aikara as Principal of the St. Xavier's College, Thumba - approval regarding.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Qualification of Teachers, Recognition of Degrees and Exemption, the question of approval of the appointment of Rev. Fr. George Aikara as Principal of the St. Xavier's College, Thumba with effect from 4-7-1973.

RESOLVED that the appointment of Rev. Fr. George Aikara be approved as Principal of the St. Xavier's College, Thumba with effect from 4-7-1973.

(Ac.F.I)

68. Proposals from the Government of India for starting a Vidyapeet in Kerala.

The Syndicate considered along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee on Staff and Finance, the proposal received from the State Government for starting a Vidyapeet in Kerala with a Research Wing being located in the University Manuscripts Library. (See details of the proposal in the letter No.40287/P2/72/R. Edn. dated 18-3-1973 from the Special Secretary, Higher Education addressed to the Vice-Chancellor at Appendix IV).

RESOLVED that the proposals be approved and that the details be worked out after discussions with the State Government.

(Ad.D)

(Contd. . . . . )
V. Administrative Staff:
The following Administrative Staff will be required to man the Adm. wing at present.

- Administrative Officer — 1
- Assistants — 2
- Typists — 2
- Peons — 2

Additional staff will be required when students are admitted.

Sd/-
Director
F.No.: 116-1/2017 (DEB-IV)  
Date: October, 2018

The Registrar,  
Kerala University  
Senate House Campus,  
Palayam Thiruvananthapuram  
Kerala

Sub: Commission decision on the HEI’s representation submitted for review of programmes found deficient, for recognition for 2018-19 onwards to be offered in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode - regarding.

Sirs/Madam,

This is in continuation to the UGC letter No. 116-1/2017 (DEB-IV) dated 14.08.2018, wherein the details of programmes recognised for 2018-19 onwards and programmes found deficient along with deficiencies and other relevant information/conditions were communicated to Kerala University.

2. As per the provision at clause 4 (i) of sub-regulation (3) of Part- II of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and the decision of the Commission in its 534th meeting held on 2nd August, 2018, for the programmes found deficient as per the UGC letter cited in above para, the Higher Educational Institution had been provided an opportunity to submit representation along with documentary evidence, if any, within 30 days from the date of the said UGC letter.

3. The representation along with documentary evidence submitted by the Kerala University on 15th September, 2018 for review and the justifications given by the HEI representatives during the hearing, were considered by the duly constituted Expert Review Committee in the meeting held on 18th September, 2018 at UGC, 35 Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi. The Expert Review Committee based on the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments: made recommendations for consideration of the Commission.

4. Based on the decision of the Commission in its 535th Meeting dated 27th September, 2018, I am directed to issue this Order, thereby communicating the Commission decision, on the representation received, for programme wise recognition status of the programmes to be offered in Open and Distance Learning mode from academic year 2018-19 onwards by the Kerala University in addition to programmes already recognized vide letter mentioned in Para 1 above, as detailed in point no. 5 below.
5. Programme wise recognition status based on representation:

5(A) Programmes Recognised

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*As HEI NAAC score is (below/above) 3.26, the recognition given is only up to the academic year 2018-19 to 2019-20, based on the UGC (ODL) Second Amendment Regulations, 2018. The list of recognised Learner Support Centres/Study Centres will be available at UGC website shortly.

5(B) Programmes Not Recognised: Nil

6. For the programmes recognised in 5(A) above, the Higher Educational Institution shall scrupulously abide in letter and spirit by all the terms and conditions, while offering the programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode, as per the provisions detailed in Part-III, Part-IV, Part-V, Part-VI and Annexure-I to Annexure-XI of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments. Some specific conditions as per UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 & its amendments are given in Annexure-1.

7. If the HEI fails to comply with the conditions of recognition or if it is found conducting affairs in a manner that leads to deterioration of academic standards, or if any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the HEI is found to be false or fake at a later date, UGC shall take action as per Regulation (4) Part-II of UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017.

Yours faithfully,

(Jitendra)
Education Officer

Copy to:

1. The Secretary, Higher Education, Govt. of Kerala. 3rd Floor Secretariat, Annex Statue, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala with a request to ensure that HEI adheres to all the provisions of the UGC (ODL) Regulations 2017 and its amendments.

2. The Joint Secretary (Distance Learning), MHRD, Govt of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi – 110 001.
The Member Secretary, AICTE, Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070 with a copy of the affidavit submitted by the HEI as per AICTE Letter No. AICTE/P&AP/ODL/2108 dated 28/08/2018.

4. The Vice-Chancellor, Kerala University, Senate House Campus, Palayam Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala

5. The Joint Secretary, State University Bureau, UGC for information.


(Jitendra)

Education Officer
Speed Post

F.No.: 116-1/2017(DEB-IV)  
Date: August, 2018

The Registrar,  
Kerala University,  
Senate House Campus,  
Palayam Thiruvananthapuram  
Kerala

Subject: Commission Order on the application, submitted Online by the Higher Educational Institution, for recognition of the programmes to be offered in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from academic year 2018-19 onwards - regarding.

Sir/Madam,

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 26 read with clause (j) of Section 12 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956), the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017, had been notified in the Gazette of India on 23.06.2017. The first and the second amendment in the principal regulations were notified in the Gazette of India on 11.10.2017 and 06.02.2018 respectively.

2. Part-II: sub-regulations (3) to (5); of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 describes the Recognition process of Higher Educational Institutions for offering Open and Distance Learning programmes. The sub-regulations (3) describes the process of recognition of Higher Educational Institutions offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning Mode, whereas sub-regulations (4) describes the process for withdrawal of recognition and sub-regulations (5) provides right to appeal to Higher Educational Institutions aggrieved with the decision of the Commission.

3. The Commission had invited online applications from the eligible Higher Educational Institutions for offering Open and Distance Learning programmes from the academic session 2018-19 vide public notice F.No. 74-1/2018 (DEB-IV) dated 28.03.2018, mentioning therein that the online portal for submitting applications shall be open from 2nd April, 2018 to 1st May, 2018. It was also mentioned that the duly certified hard copies of the application submitted online mode along with annexures shall reach UGC (DEB) office at 35 Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi-110001 within 10 working days of submission of online application. In response to the
public notice dated 28.03.2018, Kerala University had submitted application online for programme wise recognition by the Commission.

4. Application received from Kerala University had been scrutinized by the expert committee and deficiency(s) or defect(s) in application were communicated and time period as prescribed in University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 was given to remove or rectify such deficiency(s) or defect(s) with relevant documentary evidence.

5. The Kerala University was invited for an Interface Meeting with the Expert Committee; constituted by the Chairman of the Commission; on 05th, July, 2018 in the UGC head office, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi. The Expert Committee based on the application submitted, clarification given for deficiency(s) or defect(s) communicated earlier, the presentation made by the Higher Educational Institution in the Interface Meeting and in terms of provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments; made recommendations for consideration of the Commission.

6. The Commission in its 534th meeting held on 2nd August, 2018 considered the recommendations of the Interface Expert Committee. Based on the decision of the Commission, I am directed to issue this Order, there by communicating the programme wise recognition status of the programmes to be offered in Open and Distance Learning mode from academic year 2018-19 onwards by the Kerala University as detailed in point no. 7 below.

7. Programme wise recognition status

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8. For the programmes recognized in 7(A) above, the Higher Educational Institution shall scrupulously abide in letter and spirit by all the terms and conditions, while offering the programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode, as per the provisions detailed in Part-III, Part-IV, Part-V, Part-VI and Annexure-I to Annexure-XI of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments. Some specific conditions given in UGC(ODL) Regulations 2017 & its amendments are given in Annexure-1.

9. For the programmes found deficient in 7(B) above, the Higher Educational Institution shall submit representation along with documentary evidence, if any, within 30 days from the date of this order as per the provision at clause 4(i) of sub-regulation (3) of Part- II of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments.

10. If the HEI fails to comply with the conditions of recognition or if it is found conducting affairs in a manner that leads to deterioration of academic standards, or if any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the HEI is found to be false or fake at a later date, UGC shall take action as per Regulation (4), Part -II of UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017.
Conditions

1) The total intake capacity (Number of learners) in Open and Distance Learning mode in Higher Educational Institution and/or Learner Support Centre/Study Centre shall be as mentioned in clause 6 of Annexure-X of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.

2) The Higher Educational Institution shall offer only those programmes through Open and Distance Learning mode, which are approved by the statutory bodies of the University and by UGC and by the Regulatory Authority, as applicable.

3) The Higher Educational Institution shall not offer any programme in engineering, medicine, dental, pharmacy, nursing, architecture, physiotherapy and programmes not permitted to be offered in distance mode by any other regulatory body.

4) The Higher Educational Institution shall comply to all the terms and conditions mentioned in the Affidavit dated 25th April, 2018 duly notarized and signed by Dr. Jayachandran R., Registrar in-charge, submitted to the Commission vide letter dated 03rd May, 2018.

5) The Higher Educational Institution shall not offer any M.Phil/Ph.D Programme through distance learning mode in compliance to clause 11 of the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations, 2016.

6) The HEI shall establish Examination Centre within the territorial jurisdiction of the HEI subject to condition laid down in clause 7(i) to (v) of section 13 in Part-IV.

7) In case, Higher Educational Institution fails to comply with the conditions of recognition, appropriate punitive action(s), as per provisions of the UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments, shall be taken by the Commission.

(Jitendra)
Education Officer
Certificate of Accreditation

The Executive Committee of the National Assessment and Accreditation Council on the recommendation of the duly appointed Peer Team is pleased to declare the University of Kerala, Palayam, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala as Accredited with CGPA of 3.03 on four point scale at A grade valid up to March 02, 2020.

Date: March 02, 2015

Director

[Signatures and stamps]
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala, India-695034
(Established as University of Travancore by the Travancore University Act in 1937 and reconstituted as University of Kerala by the Kerala University Act of 1957 and presently governed by the Kerala University Act of 1974 passed by the Kerala State Legislative Assembly)
(Re-accredited by NAAC with 'A' Grade)

UNDEARTAKING

I, the Registrar, University of Kerala, Thiruvananthapuram, do hereby undertake to the effect that though the present NAAC Score of the University of Kerala is 3.03, the University is earnestly vying to achieve the stipulated score for the recognition of Open & Distance Learning (ODL) programmes to be conducted for the academic year 2020-21 onwards. The University is hopeful to achieve a score surpassing the stipulated score for recognition of ODL programmes to be conducted from 2020-21 onwards.

15.10.2020

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By order of the Governor

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(21) “Senate” means the Senate of the University;

(22) “State” means the State of Kerala;

(23) “Statutes”, “Ordinances”, “Regulations”, “bye-laws” and “rules”, means respectively the “Statutes”, “Ordinances”, “Regulations”, “bye-laws” and “rules” of the University;

(24) “student” means a part-time or full-time student receiving instruction or carrying on research in any of the colleges or recognized institutions;

(25) “Students’ Council” means the Students’ Council of the University;

(26) “Syndicate” means the Syndicate of the University;

(27) “teacher” means a principal, professor, associate professor, assistant professor, reader, lecturer, instructor or such other person imparting instruction or supervising research in any of the colleges or recognized institutions and whose appointment has been approved by the University;

(28) “teacher of the University” means a person employed as teacher in any institution maintained by the University;

[(28A) “un-aided college” means a private college which is not entitled to any financial assistance from the Government or the University;]

(29) “University” means the University of Kerala constituted under this Act;

(30) “University area” means the area to which the jurisdiction of the University extends under sub-section (1) of section 4;

(31) “University Fund” means the Kerala University Fund established under sub-section (1) of section 45;

(32) “Vice-Chancellor” means the Vice-Chancellor of the University.

CHAPTER II

The University

3. The University :- (1) The Chancellor, the Pro-Chancellor, the Vice-Chancellor, the Pro-Vice-Chancellor, if any, and the members of the Senate,
the Syndicate and the Academic Council, for the time being, shall constitute a body corporate by the name of the University of Kerala.

(2) The University shall have perpetual succession and a common seal, and shall and be used by the said name.

(4) **Territorial limits:** (1) The jurisdiction of the University shall extend to the Revenue Districts of Trivandrum, Quilon, Alleppey, Kottayam, Idukki and Ernakulam of the State.

(2) No educational institution situated beyond the territorial limits of the University shall, save with the sanction of the Chancellor and the Government, be affiliated to the University and no educational institution within the territorial limits of the University shall, save with the sanction of the Chancellor and the Government, seek or continue affiliation to any other University established by law.

5. **Powers of the University:** The University shall have the following powers, namely :-

(i) to provide for instruction and training in such branches of learning as the University may deem fit, and to make provision for research and for the advancement and dissemination of knowledge;

4[ia] to confer academic autonomy to an affiliated college/department of an affiliated college or university department].

(ii) to institute degrees, titles, diplomas and other academic distinctions;

(iii) to hold examination and to confer degrees and other academic distinctions on persons who-

(a) shall have pursued a prescribed course of study in a college under the University, unless exempted therefrom in the manner prescribed, and shall have passed the prescribed examination; or

(b) shall have carried on research under prescribed conditions and which has been duly evaluated;

(iv) to confer honorary degrees or other distinctions on distinguished persons in accordance with the conditions to be prescribed in the Statutes;

4 Inserted by Act 2 of 2005, w.e.f. 6-1-2005
NOTE I

Sections 4 (1) and 99 (1) of the Mahatma Gandhi University Act, 1985 (Act 12 of 1985) read as under:-

4. **Territorial limits.**—(1) The jurisdiction of the University shall extend to the Kottayam, Eranakulam and Idukki revenue districts, the Kuttanad Taluk of the Alleppey revenue district and the Kozhencherry, Mallappally, Thiruvalla and Ranni taluks of the Pathanamthitta revenue district of the State.

99. **Act 17 of 1974 not to apply.**—(1) Subject to the provisions of this section, the Kerala University Act, 1974 (17 of 1974) shall, with effect from the date of commencement of this Act cease to apply in respect of the areas to which the jurisdiction of the Mahatma Gandhi University extends.

NOTE II

The following provisions of the Kerala University Act, 1974 were struck down by the Kerala High Court as *ultravirus* of the Constitution.

Section 54 (7), proviso to Section 59 (1), and section 62.

(Benedict Mar Gregorios Vs. State of Kerala) 1976 KLT 458

Section 60 (5) & (7)

(Manager, St. Joseph’s Training College Vs. University Appellate Tribunal) 1980 KLT 67.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
(Abtract)
School of Distance Education – Programme Project Reports and Self Learning Materials w.e.f 2020-21- approved
- Orders issued.

ACADEMIC A. II. SECTION

No. Ac. A II /2/25/2017

2. Note dated 23.12.2019 from the Director, School of Distance Education, University of Kerala.

ORDER
The Programme Project Reports and Self Learning Materials of 26 programmes offered through School of Distance Education were approved during 2018-19 as per paper read (1) above.

The Director, School of Distance Education, vide paper read as (2) submitted the Programme Project Reports and Self Learning Materials of 26 programmes for approval w.e.f 2020-21.

1. Bachelor of Arts (Economics) 14. Master of Arts (Economics)
2. Bachelor of Arts (English) 15. Master of Arts (English)
3. Bachelor of Arts (Hindi) 16. Master of Arts (Hindi)
4. Bachelor of Arts (History) 17. Master of Arts (History)
5. Bachelor of Arts (Malayalam) 18. Master of Arts (Malayalam)
6. Bachelor of Arts (Political Science) 19. Master of Arts (Political Science)
7. Bachelor of Arts (Sociology) 20. Master of Arts (Sociology)
8. Bachelor of Science (Computer Science) 21. Master of Science (Computer Science)
9. Bachelor of Science (Mathematics) 22. Master of Science (Mathematics)
10. Bachelor of Computer Applications (B.C.A) 23. Master of Arts (Public Administration)
12. Bachelor of Library and Information Science (B.LISc.) 25. Master of Library and Information Science (M.LISc.)
13. Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A) 26. Master of Business Administration (M.B.A)

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to the Programme Project Report (PPR) and Self Learning Material (SLM) of 26 programmes offered through School of Distance Education with effect from the academic year 2020-21.

Orders are issued accordingly.

Sd/-
DR. P. RAGHAVAN
JOINT REGISTRAR (Academic)
For REGISTRAR

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SECTION OFFICER
F.No.: 116-1/2017 (DEB-IV)  
Date: October, 2018

The Registrar,
Kerala University
Senate House Campus,
Palayam Thiruvananthapuram
Kerala

Sub: Commission decision on the HEI’s representation submitted for review of programmes found deficient, for recognition for 2018-19 onwards to be offered in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode - regarding.

Sir/Madam,

This is in continuation to the UGC letter No. 116-1/2017 (DEB-IV) dated 14.08.2018, wherein the details of programmes recognised for 2018-19 onwards and programmes found deficient along with deficiencies and other relevant information/conditions were communicated to Kerala University.

2. As per the provision at clause 4 (i) of sub-regulation (3) of Part- II of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and the decision of the Commission in its 534th meeting held on 2nd August, 2018, for the programmes found deficient as per the UGC letter cited in above para, the Higher Educational Institution had been provided an opportunity to submit representation along with documentary evidence, if any, within 30 days from the date of the said UGC letter.

3. The representation along with documentary evidence submitted by the Kerala University on 15th September, 2018 for review and the justifications given by the HEI representatives during the hearing, were considered by the duly constituted Expert Review Committee in the meeting held on 18th September, 2018 at UGC, 35 Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi. The Expert Review Committee based on the provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments: made recommendations for consideration of the Commission.

4. Based on the decision of the Commission in its 535th Meeting dated 27th September, 2018, I am directed to issue this Order, thereby communicating the Commission decision. on the representation received, for programme wise recognition status of the programmes to be offered in Open and Distance Learning mode from academic year 2018-19 onwards by the Kerala University in addition to programmes already recognized vide letter mentioned in Para 1 above, as detailed in point no. 5 below.
5. Programme wise recognition status based on representation:

5(A) Programmes Recognised

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*As HEI NAAC score is (below/above) 3.26, the recognition given is only up to the academic year 2018-19 to 2019-20, based on the UGC (ODL) Second Amendment Regulations, 2018. The list of recognised Learner Support Centres/Study Centres will be available at UGC website shortly.

5(B) Programmes Not Recognised: Nil

6. For the programmes recognised in 5(A) above, the Higher Educational Institution shall scrupulously abide in letter and spirit by all the terms and conditions, while offering the programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode, as per the provisions detailed in Part-III, Part-IV, Part-V, Part-VI and Annexure-I to Annexure-XI of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments. Some specific conditions as per UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 & its amendments are given in Annexure-1.

7. If the HEI fails to comply with the conditions of recognition or if it is found conducting affairs in a manner that leads to deterioration of academic standards, or if any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the HEI is found to be false or fake at a later date, UGC shall take action as per Regulation (4) Part-II of UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017.

Yours faithfully,

(Jitendra)
Education Officer

Copy to:

1. The Secretary, Higher Education, Govt. of Kerala, 3rd Floor Secretariat, Annex Statue, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala with a request to ensure that HEI adheres to all the provisions of the UGC (ODL) Regulations 2017 and its amendments.

2. The Joint Secretary (Distance Learning), MHRD, Govt of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi – 110 001.
The Member Secretary, AICTE, Nelson Mandela Marg, Vasant Kunj, New Delhi-110070 with a copy of the affidavit submitted by the HEI as per AICTE Letter No. AICTE/P&AP/OFL/2108 dated 28/08/2018.

4. The Vice-Chancellor. Kerala University, Senate House Campus, Palayam Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala

5. The Joint Secretary, State University Bureau, UGC for information.


(Jitendra )

Education Officer
Speed Post

F.No.: 116-1/2017(DEB-IV)  
Date: August, 2018

The Registrar,  
Kerala University,  
Senate House Campus,  
Palayam Thiruvananthapuram  
Kerala

Subject: Commission Order on the application, submitted Online by the Higher Educational Institution, for recognition of the programmes to be offered in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from academic year 2018-19 onwards - regarding.

Sir/Madam,

In exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of Section 26 read with clause (j) of Section 12 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956 (3 of 1956), the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017, had been notified in the Gazette of India on 23.06.2017. The first and the second amendment in the principal regulations were notified in the Gazette of India on 11.10.2017 and 06.02.2018 respectively.

2. Part-II: sub-regulations (3) to (5); of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 describes the Recognition process of Higher Educational Institutions for offering Open and Distance Learning programmes. The sub-regulations (3) describes the process of recognition of Higher Educational Institutions offering programmes in Open and Distance Learning Mode, whereas sub-regulations (4) describes the process for withdrawal of recognition and sub-regulations (5) provides right to appeal to Higher Educational Institutions aggrieved with the decision of the Commission.

3. The Commission had invited online applications from the eligible Higher Educational Institutions for offering Open and Distance Learning programmes from the academic session 2018-19 vide public notice F.No. 74-1/2018 (DEB-IV) dated 28.03.2018, mentioning therein that the online portal for submitting applications shall-be open from 2nd April, 2018 to 1st May, 2018. It was also mentioned that the duly certified hard copies of the application submitted online mode along with annexures shall reach UGC (DEB) office at 35 Feroze Shah Road, New Delhi-110001 within 10 working days of submission of online application. In response to the
public notice dated 28.03.2018. **Kerala University** had submitted application online for programme wise recognition by the Commission.

4. Application received from **Kerala University** had been scrutinized by the expert committee and deficiency(s) or defect(s) in application were communicated and time period as prescribed in University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 was given to remove or rectify such deficiency(s) or defect(s) with relevant documentary evidence.

5. The **Kerala University** was invited for an Interface Meeting with the Expert Committee; constituted by the Chairman of the Commission; on **05th, July, 2018** in the UGC head office, Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi. The Expert Committee based on the application submitted, clarification given for deficiency(s) or defect(s) communicated earlier, the presentation made by the Higher Educational Institution in the Interface Meeting and in terms of provisions of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments; made recommendations for consideration of the Commission.

6. The Commission in its 534th meeting held on 2nd August, 2018 considered the recommendations of the Interface Expert Committee. Based on the decision of the Commission, I am directed to issue this Order, there by communicating the programme wise recognition status of the programmes to be offered in Open and Distance Learning mode from academic year 2018-19 onwards by the **Kerala University** as detailed in point no. 7 below.

7. **Programme wise recognition status**

7(A) **Programmes Recognized**

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20. MASTER OF ARTS (MALAYALAM)
21. MASTER OF ARTS (SOCIOLOGY)
22. MASTER OF COMMERCE (FINANCE)
23. MASTER OF LIBRARY AND INFORMATION SCIENCE
24. MASTER OF SCIENCE (COMPUTER SCIENCE)
25. MASTER OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS)

*As HEI NAAC score is below 3.26, the recognition given is only up to the academic year 2019-20, based on the UGC (Open and Distance Learning) Second Amendment Regulations, 2018.

The list of recognized Learner Support Centres/Study Centres is available at UGC website i.e. www.ugc.ac.in at the link https://www.ugc.ac.in/pdfnews/9969719_UGC-RECOGNITION-FOR-ODL-PROGRAMMES-2018-19-ONWARDS.pdf

7(B) Programmes not Recognized

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8. For the programmes recognized in 7(A) above, the Higher Educational Institution shall scrupulously abide in letter and spirit by all the terms and conditions, while offering the programmes in Open and Distance Learning mode, as per the provisions detailed in Part-III, Part-IV, Part-V, Part-VI and Annexure-I to Annexure-XI of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments. Some specific conditions given in UGC(ODL) Regulations 2017 & its amendments are given in Annexure-1.

9. For the programmes found deficient in 7(B) above, the Higher Educational Institution shall submit representation along with documentary evidence, if any, within 30 days from the date of this order as per the provision at clause 4(l) of sub-regulation (3) of Part- II of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments.

10. If the HEI fails to comply with the conditions of recognition or if it is found conducting affairs in a manner that leads to deterioration of academic standards, or if any information, documentary evidence submitted/produced by the HEI is found to be false or fake at a later date, UGC shall take action as per Regulation (4), Part -II of UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017.

Yours faithfully,

(Jitendra)
Education Officer
Conditions

1) The total intake capacity (Number of learners) in Open and Distance Learning mode in Higher Educational Institution and/or Learner Support Centre/Study Centre shall be as mentioned in clause 6 of Annexure-X of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.

2) The Higher Educational Institution shall offer only those programmes through Open and Distance Learning mode, which are approved by the statutory bodies of the University and by UGC and by the Regulatory Authority, as applicable.

3) The Higher Educational Institution shall not offer any programme in engineering, medicine, dental, pharmacy, nursing, architecture, physiotherapy and programmes not permitted to be offered in distance mode by any other regulatory body.

4) The Higher Educational Institution shall comply to all the terms and conditions mentioned in the Affidavit dated 25th April, 2018 duly notarized and signed by Dr. Jayachandran R., Registrar in-charge, submitted to the Commission vide letter dated 03rd May, 2018.

5) The Higher Educational Institution shall not offer any M.Phil/Ph.D Programme through distance learning mode in compliance to clause 11 of the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations, 2016.

6) The HEI shall establish Examination Centre within the territorial jurisdiction of the HEI subject to condition laid down in clause 7(i) to (v) of section 13 in Part-IV.

7) In case, Higher Educational Institution fails to comply with the conditions of recognition, appropriate punitive action(s), as per provisions of the UGC (ODL) Regulations, 2017 and its amendments, shall be taken by the Commission.

(Jitendra)
Education Officer
   2. Note dated 23.12.2019 from the Director, School of Distance Education, University of Kerala.

ORDER

The Programme Project Reports and Self Learning Materials of 26 programmes offered through School of Distance Education were approved during 2018-19 as per paper read (1) above.

The Director, School of Distance Education, vide paper read as (2) submitted the Programme Project Reports and Self Learning Materials of 26 programmes for approval w.e.f 2020-21.

| 1. Bachelor of Arts (Economics)     | 14. Master of Arts (Economics)     |
| 2. Bachelor of Arts (English)       | 15. Master of Arts (English)       |
| 3. Bachelor of Arts (Hindi)         | 16. Master of Arts (Hindi)         |
| 4. Bachelor of Arts (History)       | 17. Master of Arts (History)       |
| 5. Bachelor of Arts (Malayalam)     | 18. Master of Arts (Malayalam)     |
| 6. Bachelor of Arts (Political Science) | 19. Master of Arts (Political Science) |
| 7. Bachelor of Arts (Sociology)     | 20. Master of Arts (Sociology)     |
| 8. Bachelor of Science (Computer Science) | 21. Master of Science (Computer Science) |
| 9. Bachelor of Science (Mathematics) | 22. Master of Science (Mathematics) |
| 10. Bachelor of Computer Applications (B.C.A) | 23. Master of Arts (Public Administration) |
| 12. Bachelor of Library and Information Science (B.LiSc.) | 25. Master of Library and Information Science (M.LiSc.) |
| 13. Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A) | 26. Master of Business Administration (M.B.A) |

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to the Programme Project Report (PPR) and Self Learning Material (SLM) of 26 programmes offered through School of Distance Education with effect from the academic year 2020-21.

Orders are issued accordingly.

Sd/-

DR. P. RAGHAVAN
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SECTION OFFICER
University of Kerala

The University of Kerala is a State university located in Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city Kerala. University of Kerala is the first University in the State, originally established as the University of Travancore in 1937 and is the 16th oldest University of the country. The present territorial jurisdiction of the University extends to the revenue districts of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alapuzha and Pathanamthitta. The University of Kerala is offering courses in regular as well as distance mode. In regular mode the University offers wide range of programmes at the undergraduate, post graduate, MPhil, doctoral levels, post graduate diploma, diploma and certificate levels. In distance mode the University offers 13 UG and 13 PG programmes. The University of Kerala has undergone immense transformation on various fronts during the last 80 years. The University has been recognized by the UGC as per UGC Act, 1956 under Section 2 (f) and 12 (b) and has been reaccredited by NAAC with A grade in 2015. University also bagged the First Chancellor’s Award for the Best University in Kerala in 2015. There are at present 223 affiliated colleges and 82 research centres under the University and have 42 teaching and research departments (under 11 schools), 10 teacher education centres, 7 UIMs and 17 UITs. There are at present 149 faculty members of which 30 are Professors, 35 Associate Professors and 84 Assistant Professors under its 42 teaching and research departments. In addition, there are 54 guest faculty members and 10 visiting faculty members working in the departments. Among the teaching faculty members 160 are PhD degree holders. 1492 administrative staff and 30 technical staff are also working in the University.

1. The School of Distance Education

The School of Distance Education (SDE), started in 1976 as a teaching and research department of the University of Kerala, is one of the pioneering centres of distance learning in the State. The aims and objectives of the school include:

- Democratizing higher education to large segments of the population, in particular the disadvantaged groups like those living in remote and rural areas, working people, and women.
- Providing an innovative system of university-level education which is both flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrollment and age of entry.
- Providing an opportunity for up-gradation of skills and qualifications.
- Developing education as a lifelong activity to enable persons to update their knowledge or acquire knowledge in new areas.

University of Kerala is one of the Universities in India having appointed permanent full time teaching faculty members for running the distance education programmes. The SDE has 19 permanent faculty members and 8 full time contract faculty members with diverse academic backgrounds and rich experience in the rank of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors. The school had recognition of the erstwhile Distance Education Council (DEC) for 45 programmes till 2014-15. In line with the efforts of the UGC to streamline the distance learning mode, the SDE also redefined its programmes and got the UGC recognition to offer 13 UG and 12 PG programmes from the academic year 2017-18 onwards. The SDE has no private off
Details of the Proposed BA Malayalam Programme

(a) Programme’s mission & objectives

Mission & Objectives

In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education to all, the programme BA Malayalam Language and Literature aims at imparting knowledge in Malayalam Language and literature, and skills in using Malayalam language in the post graduate level as the official language of Kerala.

i. To help learners form a substantial foundation on literary forms, the history of Malayalam language, literature and literary works including samples of Indian literature.

ii. To impart skills to critically evaluate and appreciate literary works, to extend this ability to other cultural and artistic forms.

iii. To impart and fine tune Malayalam language skills essential for employability and for vertical professional mobility.

Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals

Offered in the distance mode, BA Malayalam will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focused, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

BA Malayalam in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for the BA Malayalam programmes offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

Nature of prospective target group of learners:

BA programme in Malayalam Language and literature has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges. This will join the attempt to democratising higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry.

Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the fresh learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.

Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence:

The BA Malayalam programme will see to ensure the following skills and competences in the learners.

1. Reading skills: read texts with careful attention and appreciate them recognize key ideas in texts and rhetorical strategies used to develop them respond to aesthetic, rhetorical, and cultural qualities in texts

2. Writing skills: write clearly and fluently in multiple genres, organize coherently and logically, edit writing so that it confirms to standard usage, develop convincing, well-supported essays,

3. Understanding Literature: understand the relationship of literature to history and culture, understand the history of literature in Malayalam in terms of major periods and authors, recognize and define
major genres of literature, and recognize and define formal features in literature.

4. Understanding Malayalam Language: learn the history and evolution of Malayalam language, understand Malayalam Grammar and phonology, and understand further the structure of Malayalam. Understand the various forms of Malayalam and its use in different circumstances like spoken Malayalam, official Malayalam, scientific Malayalam, computing Malayalam etc.

5. Understanding Theory and Criticism: understand and implement several literary and rhetorical theories, relate the study of discourse in Malayalam to Malayalam language and comparison of eastern and western theories, understand the general nature, purpose, and methods of Malayalam studies.

6. Doing Research: understand and use basic research tools, develop questions and topics worth researching, incorporate research into writing.

**Instructional Design**

The BA Malayalam programme proposed here is also offered by the University through regular mode. Also, the programme has been approved by the statutory bodies of the University. Further, the University is revising the curriculum and syllabi of its BA Malayalam programme once in every three years to ensure that the content is updated to reflect current academic knowledge and practice, and also to ensure that the University used provide the best learning experiences possible for students. Academic staff and experts in the area of Malayalam propose changes in the curriculum and syllabi at the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop generally convened at least six months before the due date of curriculum and syllabus revision. Major changes are then submitted to the Board of Studies of Malayalam (Pass) of the University for Final Approval. As part of curriculum design, the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop considers curriculum analysis of social needs, translating the needs into course, splitting the objectives into specific objectives, grouping the specific objectives into subjects, deriving the subjects from the classification, specifying enabling objectives, unitising each subject matter, specification of required time and syllabus formulation.

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### Duration of the programme

Six Semesters, three years.

### Faculty and support staff requirement

There are three full time faculty members available and one of them coordinates the BA Programme in Malayalam. There are sufficient number of administrative staff in the SDE in the rank of Deputy Registrar (One), Assistant Registrars (Three), Section Officers (Six), Assistants (18), Computer operators (Four) and Class Four staff (12) for the administrative support. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the University are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.
Instructional delivery mechanisms

In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 60 contact hours each semester, conducted over 10 days during the weekend. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources. A repertoire of audio/video lectures are being prepared, which will be made available to the learners on an experimental basis from this academic year onwards.

Student Support Service Systems at SDE

(a) Information Centre, (b) Library with good collection of books and journals (c) Wi-Fi connectivity, (d) Counselling, (e) Students feedback, (f) Placement cell, (g) Students Grievance Redressal Cell, (g) Alumni Association, (i) Women’s Cell, (j) Research Cell, (k) Post Office, (l) Snack bar and Refreshment Centre, (m) Restrooms, (n) Reprographic centre, (o) Drinking water etc.

Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation:

The admission notifications for BA Malayalam programme, among others are being issued in leading national and regional dailies during June-July. The detailed information regarding admission is being given on the SDE website (www.ideku.net) and on the admission website (www.sde.keralauniversity.ac.in). Students seeking admission shall apply online.

Minimum Eligibility for Admission

Eligibility for admission to BA Malayalam is a pass in Higher Secondary Examination of the State or an Examination accepted by the University as equivalent thereto.

Fee Structure: The fee for the course is Rs.13605/-. Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

Financial Assistance

Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed form SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

Programme Delivery

The programme is being delivered with the help of SLM and Personal Contact programmes. The SLM is being dispatched to the students during each semester by hand or by post. And, at the end of each semester assignments are given and the marks are included in the ESA. The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.

Academic Calendar

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Evaluation

The evaluation of the programme will consist of two parts: a) Continuous Evaluation (CE) b) End Semester Evaluation (ESE) The CE and ESE ratio shall be 1:4 i.e. a maximum of 20 marks for CE and a maximum of 80 marks for ESE. There will be no separate minimum for CE and ESE. However, the minimum pass requirement of a course will be 40%. Minimum marks required for passing a programme will also be 40%.

The classification of results of the programme shall be done at the end of the 6th semester based on the total marks secured for all semesters and shall be as follows.

- Candidates securing not less than 40% but below 50% - Third Class
- Candidates securing not less than 50% but below 60% - Second Class
- Candidates securing 60% and above - First Class

(a) Continuous Evaluation (CE): In a semester each student shall be required to submit one assignment and do one Test Paper/Practicum/Case Analysis for each course without which his/her results will be withheld. Those who submit their assignments after the due date will have to pay a late fee as fixed by the university from time to time. The components of CE are, Assignment (10 marks) and Test Paper/Practicum /Case Analysis (10 marks). The results of the CE shall be displayed in SDE website. Complaints regarding the award of marks for CE if any have to be submitted to the Programme Coordinator within 15 working days from the display of results of CE.

(b) End Semester Evaluation (ESE): End Semester Evaluation of all the Courses in all the semesters including the examination for Essay shall be conducted by the University.

Minimum attendance required for ESE will be 50%. However those who cannot secure the required percentage of attendance can appear for ESE by paying a condonation fee fixed by the University.

Examinations for odd and even semesters will be conducted together towards the end of every academic year.

Improvement of ESE - Candidates who have successfully completed the Semester, but wish to improve their marks for the End Semester Evaluation (ESE) shall have only one chance for the same along with the next immediate regular batch of students.

Requirement of the laboratory support and Library Resources:

A laboratory hour is not mandatory for BA Malayalam, but students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in-house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be
remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

**Cost Estimate of the Programme and the Provisions (Base 2019-20)**

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**Quality Assurance Mechanism and Expected Programme Outcomes**

**Quality Assurance Mechanism**

The University Board of Studies for FDP Malayalam programmes approves and reviews the syllabus, course content, and the Self Learning Material of BA Malayalam offered in the distance mode also.

The overall ensuring of quality will be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, School of Distance Education.

The SDE, University of Kerala has devised the following mechanism for monitoring the effectiveness of the BA Malayalam programme to enhance its standards of curriculum, instructional design etc.

(a) Established a Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) at the University level to develop and put in place a comprehensive and dynamic internal quality assurance system to enhance the quality of the programmes offered through distance mode as per the norms and guidelines of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.

(b) The CIQA is periodically conducting institutional quality audits, to promote quality assurance and enhance as well as spread best-in-class practices of quality assurance. The CIQA conducts the quality audit by addressing the following seven broad areas, namely:

i. Governance, leadership and management
ii. Articulation of higher educational institutions objectives
iii. Programme development and approval processes
iv. Infrastructure resources
v. Learning environment and learner support
vi. Assessment & evaluation of learning outcomes

vii. Teaching quality and staff development

(c) The SDE has an approved panel of experts for preparing SML. The SLM prepared is being edited by the course coordinator. The CIQA also oversees the development and preparation of SLMs. Then submit the SLMs to the Board of Studies concerned for the approval. The SLMs are developed with the approach of self explanatory, self-contained, self-directed, self-motivating and self-evaluating.

(d) The SDE of the University has two full time faculty members exclusively for coordinating the programme and also has a panel of qualified guest teachers for counselling students and engaging in personal contact programmes in the Head Quarters at Thiruvananthapuram and study centres at Kollam, Adoor and Alappuzha.

Expected Programme Outcomes

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

- Develop an ability to effectively communicate both orally and verbally in Malayalam
- Develop self confidence and skills for working independently and in a team
- Have a foundation on literary theories, movements and history of Malayalam literature
- Develop the ability to critically look at concepts, beliefs and ideas in society
- Have an increase awareness of the general issues prevailing in the society

Note: The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
School of Distance Education

Bachelor of Arts (English)

PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT (PPR)

University of Kerala

The University of Kerala is a State university located in Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city of Kerala. University of Kerala is the first University in the State, originally established as the University of Travancore in 1937 and is the 16th oldest University of the country. The present territorial jurisdiction of the University extends to the revenue districts of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alapuzha and Pathanamthitta. The University of Kerala is offering courses in regular as well as distance mode. In regular mode the University offers wide range of programmes at the undergraduate, post graduate, MPhil, doctoral levels, post graduate diploma, diploma and certificate levels. In distance mode the University offers 13 UG and 13 PG programmes. The University of Kerala has undergone immense transformation on various fronts during the last 80 years. The University has been recognized by the UGC as per UGC Act, 1956 under Section 2 (f) and 12 (b) and has been reaccredited by NAAC with A grade in 2015. University also bagged the First Chancellor's Award for the Best University in Kerala in 2015. There are at present 223 affiliated colleges and 82 research centres under the University and have 42 teaching and research departments (under 11 schools), 10 teacher education centres, 7 UIMs and 17 UITs. There are at present 149 faculty members of which 30 are Professors, 35 Associate Professors and 84 Assistant Professors under its 42 teaching and research departments. In addition, there are 54 guest faculty members and 10 visiting faculty members working in the departments. Among the teaching faculty members 160 are PhD degree holders. 1492 administrative staff and 30 technical staff are also working in the University.

The School of Distance Education

The School of Distance Education (SDE), started in 1976 as a teaching and research department of the University of Kerala, is one of the pioneering centres of distance learning in the State. The aims and objectives of the school include:

- Democratizing higher education to large segments of the population, in particular the disadvantaged groups like those living in remote and rural areas, working people, and women.

- Providing an innovative system of university-level education which is both flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrollment and age of entry.

- Providing an opportunity for up-gradation of skills and qualifications.

- Developing education as a lifelong activity to enable persons to update their knowledge or acquire knowledge in new areas.
University of Kerala is one of the Universities in India having appointed permanent full time teaching faculty members for running the distance education programmes. The SDE has 19 permanent faculty members and 8 full time contract faculty members with diverse academic backgrounds and rich experience in the rank of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors. The school had recognition of the erstwhile Distance Education Council (DEC) for 45 programmes till 2014-15. In line with the efforts of the UGC to streamline the distance learning mode, the SDE also redefined its programmes and got the UGC recognition to offer 13 UG and 13 PG programmes from the academic year 2017-18 onwards. The SDE has no private off campus/learner support centres.

**Details of the Proposed BA English Programme**

**Programme’s mission & objectives**

**Mission & Objectives**

In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education too all, particularly to those who could not join regular colleges or universities owing to social, economic and other constraints, the programme BA English Language and Literature aims at imparting knowledge in English literature, and skills in using English language in the undergraduate level.

i. To help learners form a substantial foundation on literary forms, the literary history of England and literary works including samples of world literature.

ii. To impart skills to critically evaluate and appreciate literary works, to extend this ability to other cultural and artistic forms.

iii. To impart and fine tune English language skills essential for employability and for vertical professional mobility.

**Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals**

Offered in the distance mode, BA English will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focussed, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

BA English in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for the MA English programmes offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

**Nature of prospective target group of learners**

A BA programme in English Language and literature has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges. This will join the attempt to democratising higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry.

Understanding the needs of the learners, we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the fresh learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.
Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence

The BA English programme will see to ensure the following skills and competences in the learners.

1. Reading skills: read texts with careful attention and appreciate them, recognize key ideas in texts and rhetorical strategies used to develop them to respond to aesthetic, rhetorical, and cultural qualities in texts.

2. Writing skills: write clearly and fluently in multiple genres, organize coherently and logically, edit writing so that it conforms to standard usage, develop convincing, well-supported essays.

3. Understanding Literature: understand the relationship of literature to history and culture, understand the history of literature in English in terms of major periods and authors, recognize and define major genres of literature, and recognize and define formal features in literature.

4. Understanding English Language: learn the history and evolution of English language, understand English phonology, and understand further the structure of English.

5. Understanding Theory and Criticism: understand and implement several literary and rhetorical theories, relate the study of discourse in English to other disciplines, understand the general nature, purpose, and methods of English studies.

6. Doing Research: understand and use basic research tools, develop questions and topics worth researching, incorporate research into writing.

Instructional Design

The BA English programme proposed here is also offered by the University through regular mode. Also, the programme has been approved by the statutory bodies of the University. Further, the University revises the curriculum and syllabi of its BA English programme once in every three years to ensure that the content is updated to reflect current academic knowledge and practice, and also to ensure that the University provides the best learning experiences possible for students. Academic staff and experts in the area of English propose changes in the curriculum and syllabi at the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop generally convened at least six months before the due date of curriculum and syllabus revision. Major changes are then submitted to the Board of Studies of English (Pass) of the University for Final Approval. As part of curriculum design, the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop considers curriculum analysis of social needs, translating the needs into course, splitting the objectives into specific objectives, grouping the specific objectives into subjects, deriving the subjects from the classification, specifying enabling objectives, unitising each subject matter, specification of required time and syllabus formulation.
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Duration of the programme
Six Semesters, three years.

Faculty and support staff requirement
There are two full time faculty members available and one of them coordinates the BA Programme in English. There are sufficient number of administrative staff in the SDE in the rank of Deputy Registrar (One), Assistant Registrars (Three), Section Officers (Six), Assistants (18), Computer operators (Four) and Class Four staff (12) for the administrative support. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the University are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

Instructional delivery mechanisms
In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 60 contact hours each semester, conducted over 10 days during the weekend. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources. A repertoire of audio/video lectures are being prepared, which will be made available to the learners on an experimental basis from this academic year onwards.

Student Support Service Systems at SDE
(a) Information Centre, (b) Library with good collection of books and journals, (c) Wi-Fi connectivity, (d) Counselling, (e) Students feedback, (f) Placement cell, (g) Students Grievance Redressal Cell, (h) Alumni Association, (i) Women’s Cell, (j) Research Cell, (k) Post Office, (l) Snack bar and Refreshment Centre, (m) Restrooms, (n) Reprographic centre, (o) Drinking water etc.

Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation:
The admission notifications for BA English programme, among others are being issued in leading national and regional dailies during June-July. The detailed information regarding admission is being given on the SDE website (www.ideku.net) and on the admission website (www.sde.keralauniversity.ac.in). Students seeking admission shall apply online.

Minimum Eligibility for Admission
Eligibility for admission to BA English is a pass in Higher Secondary Examination of the State or an Examination accepted by the University as equivalent thereto.

Fee Structure: The fee for the course is Rs.13605/-. Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

Financial Assistance
Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed from SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).
Programme Delivery

The programme is being delivered with the help of SLM and Personal Contact programmes. The SLM is dispatched to the students during each semester by hand or by post. And, at the end of each semester, assignments are given and the marks are included in the ESA. The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.

Academic Calendar

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Evaluation

The evaluation of the programme will consist of two parts: a) Continuous Evaluation (CE) b) End Semester Evaluation (ESE). The CE and ESE ratio shall be 1:4 i.e, a maximum of 20 marks for CE and a maximum of 80 marks for ESE. There will be no separate minimum for CE and ESE. However, the minimum pass requirement of a course will be 40%. Minimum marks required for passing a programme will also be 40%.

The classification of results of the programme shall be done at the end of the 6th semester based on the total marks secured for all semesters and shall be as follows.

Candidates securing not less than 40% but below 50% - Third Class Candidates securing not less than 50% but below 60% - Second Class Candidates securing 60% and above - First Class

(a) Continuous Evaluation (CE): In a semester each student shall be required to submit one assignment and do one Test Paper/Practicum/Case Analysis for each course without which his/her results will be withheld. Those who submit their assignments after the due date will have to pay a late fee as fixed by the university from time to time. The components of CE are, Assignment (10 marks) and Test Paper/Practicum/Case Analysis (10 marks). The results of the CE shall be displayed in SDE.
Complaints regarding the award of marks for CE if any have to be submitted to the Programme Coordinator within 15 working days from the display of results of CE.

(b) End Semester Evaluation (ESE): End Semester Evaluation of all the Courses in all the semesters including the examination for Essay shall be conducted by the University.

Minimum attendance required for ESE will be 50%. However those who cannot secure the required percentage of attendance can appear for ESE by paying a condonation fee fixed by the University.

Examinations for odd and even semesters will be conducted together towards the end of every academic year.

Improvement of ESE - Candidates who have successfully completed the Semester, but wish to improve their marks for the End Semester Evaluation (ESE) shall have only one chance for the same along with the next immediate regular batch of students.

**Requirement of the laboratory support and Library Resources:**

Laboratory hours are not mandatory for BA English, but students can avail of the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in- house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non- members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

**Cost Estimate of the Programme and the Provisions (Base 2019-20)**

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Cost per student/year=Rs.3854
Quality Assurance Mechanism and Expected Programme Outcomes

Quality Assurance Mechanism

The University Board of Studies for FDP English programmes approves and reviews the syllabus, course content, and the Self Learning Material of BA English offered in the distance mode also.

The overall ensuring of quality will be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, School of Distance Education.

The SDE, University of Kerala has devised the following mechanism for monitoring the effectiveness of the BA English programme to enhance its standards of curriculum, instructional design etc.

(a) Established a Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) at the University level to develop and put in place a comprehensive and dynamic internal quality assurance system to enhance the quality of the programmes offered through distance mode as per the norms and guidelines of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.

(b) The CIQA is periodically conducting institutional quality audits, to promote quality assurance and enhance as well as spread best- in-class practices of quality assurance. The CIQA conducts the quality audit by addressing the following seven broad areas, namely:

i. Governance, leadership and management
ii. Articulation of higher educational institutions objectives
iii. Programme development and approval processes
iv. Infrastructure resources
v. Learning environment and learner support
vi. Assessment & evaluation of learning outcomes vii. Teaching quality and staff development

(c) The SDE has an approved panel of experts for preparing SLM. The SLM prepared is edited by the course coordinator. The CIQA also oversees the development and preparation of SLMs. Then the SLMs are submitted to the Board of Studies concerned for approval. The SLMs developed are self-explanatory, self-contained, self-directed, self-motivating and self-evaluating.

(d) The SDE of the University has two full time faculty members exclusively for coordinating the programme and also has a panel of qualified guest teachers for counselling students and engaging in personal contact programmes in the Head Quarters at Thiruvananthapuram and study centres at Kollam, Adoor and Alappuzha.

Expected Programme Outcomes

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

• Develop an ability to effectively communicate both orally and verbally in English
• Develop self-confidence and skills for working independently and in a team.
• Have a foundation on literary theories, movements and history of English literature.
• Develop the ability to critically look at concepts, beliefs and ideas in society, while also learning to critically analyse texts and cultural artefacts.
• Have an increase in awareness of the general issues prevailing in society.

**Note:** The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
School of Distance Education
Bachelor of Arts (Hindi)
PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT

1. University of Kerala
The University of Kerala is a State university located in Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city Kerala. University of Kerala is the first University in the State, originally established as the University of Travancore in 1937 and is the 16th oldest University of the country. The present territorial jurisdiction of the University extends to the revenue districts of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alapuzha and Pathanamthitta. The University of Kerala is offering courses in regular as well as distance mode. In regular mode the University offers wide range of programmes at the undergraduate, post graduate, MPhil, doctoral levels, post graduate diploma, diploma and certificate levels. In distance mode the University offers 13 UG and 13 PG programmes. The University of Kerala has undergone immense transformation on various fronts during the last 80 years. The University has been recognized by the UGC as per UGC Act, 1956 under Section 2 (f) and 12 (b) and has been reaccredited by NAAC with A grade in 2015. University also bagged the First Chancellor’s Award for the Best University in Kerala in 2015. There are at present 223 affiliated colleges and 82 research centres under the University and have 42 teaching and research departments (under 11 schools), 10 teacher education centres, 7 UIMs and 17 UITs. There are at present 149 faculty members of which 30 are Professors, 35 Associate Professors and 84 Assistant Professors under its 42 teaching and research departments. In addition, there are 54 guest faculty members and 10 visiting faculty members working in the departments. Among the teaching faculty members 160 are PhD degree holders. 1492 administrative staff and 30 technical staff are also working in the University.

2. The School of Distance Education
The School of Distance Education (SDE), started in 1976 as a teaching and research department of the University of Kerala, is one of the pioneering centres of distance learning in the State. The aims and objectives of the school include:

- Democratizing higher education to large segments of the population, in particular the disadvantaged groups like those living in remote and rural areas, working people, and women.
- Providing an innovative system of university-level education which is both flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrollment and age of entry.
- Providing an opportunity for up-gradation of skills and qualifications.
- Developing education as a lifelong activity to enable persons to update their knowledge or acquire knowledge in new areas.

University of Kerala is one of the Universities in India having appointed permanent full time
teaching faculty members for running the distance education programmes. The SDE has 19 permanent faculty members and 8 full time contract faculty members with diverse academic backgrounds and rich experience in the rank of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors. The school had recognition of the erstwhile Distance Education Council (DEC) for 45 programmes till 2014-15. In line with the efforts of the UGC to stream line the distance learning mode, the SDE also redefined its programmes and got the UGC recognition to offer 13 UG and 13 PG programmes from the academic year 2017-18 onwards. The SDE has no private off campus/learner support centres.

3. Details of the Proposed BA Hindi Programme

(a) Programme’s Mission & Objectives

Mission & Objectives

Hindi is firstly our national language and secondly the official language. Course study is aimed at making the students proficient in the use of Hindi as medium of communication and as official language. The mission of the course is to provide a general information about Hindi literature through samples of literary work and to develop an independent outlook towards the study of language and communication. The study of Humanities especially Literature awakening the aesthetic vision of students. This will enhance the feeling of one mess and humanity among the students.

The Kerala society is very generous in accepting the good of others and assimilating its essence. After Independence the role of Hindi in Kerala’s educational field has improved very much. Hindi is included as third language in the curriculum at high school level studies and as an elective language for second language at Plus 2 level. Parallel streams are also at work in the state giving opportunities in the study of Hindi Language and Literature. At graduation level also Hindi is an elective second language. All the colleges in Kerala offer this facility to the undergraduate students who are interested in the study of Hindi Language and Literature. We have MA Course in Hindi language and literature, so it is essential to start the course BA Hindi language and literature.

i. To familiarize the students with various trends in Hindi literature and Understanding the literary trends and works in a different way

ii. Learn Hindi for effective communication in different fields like administration, media and business.

iii. Understanding translation as a linguistic, cultural, economic and professional activity.

iv. Familiarizing the practical grammar and analyzing the problems and challenges of effective communication in Hindi. Also develop technical skills in Applied Hindi.

v. To enable the student to engage with conceptual issues relating to culture and civilization to identity the power of resistance of Indian culture- to instil the values and the rich tradition of India into the minds of the students. Familiarize some of the eminent writers in Hindi literature and thereby inculcate Socio-cultural values.

vi. To impart skills to critically evaluate and appreciate literary works, to extend this
ability to other cultural and artistic forms..

Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals:

Offered in the distance mode, BA Hindi will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focused, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

BA Hindi in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for the MA Hindi programmes offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

Nature of prospective target group of learners

A BA programme in Hindi Hindi Language and literature has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges. This will join the attempt to democratising higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry.

Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the fresh learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.

Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence

The BA Hindi programme will see to ensure the following skills and competences in the learners.

1. To make the student a human being in the correct sense of the word.
2. To broaden the outlook of the students and instill in them a sense of confidence and responsibility.
3. To make them ready to face the present day world of ambiguities and contradictions.
4. To make them empathetic and sympathetic towards fellow human beings.
5. To make them understand the society better and ready them to fulfill their duties and responsibilities towards the society.
6. To train them in the field of translation so that they can use the expertise thus gained to enrich Malayalam and Hindi Literature through translation.
7. To channelize their creative writing abilities towards writing in Hindi so as to enable them to contribute towards Indian Literature.
8. To inspire them to use their energy and creative ability for the upliftment of the poor and downtrodden among the society.
9. To make them able to communicate in Hindi fluently so that they can perform their duties better when they are outside Kerala.
10. To train them in the fields of journalism and media writing so that they can choose them as a professional option.

11. To give them training in correspondence and secretarial practice in Hindi so that they can use the knowledge whenever necessary.

**Instructional Design**

The BA Hindi programme proposed here is also offered by the University through regular mode. Also, the programme has been approved by the statutory bodies of the University. Further, the University is revising the curriculum and syllabi of its BA Hindi programme once in every three years to ensure that the content is updated to reflect current academic knowledge and practice, and also to ensure that the University used provide the best learning experiences possible for students. Academic staff and experts in the area of Hindi propose changes in the curriculum and syllabi at the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop generally convened at least six months before the due date of curriculum and syllabus revision. Major changes are then submitted to the Board of Studies of Hindi (Pass) of the University for Final Approval. As part of curriculum design, the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop considers curriculum analysis of social needs, translating the needs into course, splitting the objectives into specific objectives, grouping the specific objectives into subjects, deriving the subjects from the classification, specifying enabling objectives, unitising each subject matter, specification of required time and syllabus formulation.

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### Duration of the programme

Six Semesters, three years.

### Faculty and support staff requirement

There are three full time faculty members available and one of them can coordinate the BA Programme in Hindi. There is sufficient staff support from the SDE office for processing administrative work. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the Vice Chancellor are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.
Instructional delivery mechanisms

In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 60 contact hours each semester, conducted over 10 days during the weekend. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources. A repertoire of audio/video lectures are being prepared, which will be made available to the learners on an experimental basis from this academic year onwards.

Student Support Service Systems at SDE

(a) Information Centre, (b) Library with good collection of books and journals (c) Wi-Fi connectivity, (d) Counselling, (e) Students feedback, (f) Placement cell, (g) Students Grievance Redressal Cell, (g) Alumni Association, (i) Women’s Cell, (j) Research Cell, (k) Post Office , (l) Snack bar and Refreshment Centre, (m) Restrooms, (n) Reprographic centre, (o) Drinking water etc.

Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation

The admission notifications for BA Hindi programme, among others are being issued in leading national and regional dailies during June-July. The detailed information regarding admission is being given on the SDE website (www.ideku.net) and on the admission website (www.sde.keralauniversity.ac.in). Students seeking admission shall apply online.

Minimum Eligibility for Admission

Eligibility for admission to BA Hindi is a pass in Higher Secondary Examination of the State or an Examination accepted by the University as equivalent thereto.

Fee Structure

The fee for the course is Rs.13605/- Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

Financial Assistance

Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed form SC/ST department as per the rules lay down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

Programme Delivery

The programme is being delivered with the help of SLM and Personal Contact progammes. The SLM is being dispatched to the students during each semester by hand or by post. And, at the end of each semester assignments are given and the marks are included in the ESA. The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.
Academic Calendar

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Evaluation

The evaluation of the programme will consist of two parts: a) Continuous Evaluation (CE) b) End Semester Evaluation (ESE) The CE and ESE ratio shall be 1:4 i.e. a maximum of 20 marks for CE and a maximum of 80 marks for ESE. There will be no separate minimum for CE and ESE. However, the minimum pass requirement of a course will be 40%. Minimum marks required for passing a programme will also be 40%.

The classification of results of the programme shall be done at the end of the 6th semester based on the total marks secured for all semesters and shall be as follows.

Candidates securing not less than 40% but below 50% - Third Class Candidates securing not less than 50% but below 60% - Second Class Candidates securing 60% and above - First Class

(a) Continuous Evaluation (CE): In a semester each student shall be required to submit one assignment and do one Test Paper/Practicum/Case Analysis for each course without which his/her results will be withheld. Those who submit their assignments after the due date will have to pay a late fee as fixed by the university from time to time. The components of CE are, Assignment (10 marks) and Test Paper/Practicum /Case Analysis (10 marks). The results of the CE shall be displayed in SDE website. Complaints regarding the award of marks for CE if any have to be submitted to the Programme Coordinator within 15 working days from the display of results of CE.

(b) End Semester Evaluation (ESE): End Semester Evaluation of all the Courses in all the semesters including the examination for Essay shall be conducted by the University.
Minimum attendance required for ESE will be 50%. However those who cannot secure the required percentage of attendance can appear for ESE by paying a condonation fee fixed by the University.

Examinations for odd and even semesters will be conducted together towards the end of every academic year.

Improvement of ESE - Candidates who have successfully completed the Semester, but wish to improve their marks for the End Semester Evaluation (ESE) shall have only one chance for the same along with the next immediate regular batch of students.

**Requirement of the laboratory support and Library Resources:**

A laboratory hour is not mandatory for BA Hindi, but students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in-house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.
The overall ensuring of quality will be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, School of Distance Education.

The SDE, University of Kerala has devised the following mechanism for monitoring the effectiveness of the BA Hindi programme to enhance its standards of curriculum, instructional design etc.

(a) Established a Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) at the University level to develop and put in place a comprehensive and dynamic internal quality assurance system to enhance the quality of the programmes offered through distance mode as per the norms and guidelines of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.

(b) The CIQA is periodically conducting institutional quality audits, to promote quality assurance and enhance as well as spread best- in-class practices of quality assurance. The CIQA conducts the quality audit by addressing the following seven broad areas, namely:

i. Governance, leadership and management
ii. Articulation of higher educational institutions objectives
iii. Programme development and approval processes
iv. Infrastructure resources
v. Learning environment and learner support
vi. Assessment & evaluation of learning outcomes
vii. Teaching quality and staff development

(c) The SDE has an approved panel of experts for preparing SML. The SLM prepared is being edited by the course coordinator. The CIQA also oversees the development and preparation of SLMs. Then submit the SLMs to the Board of Studies concerned for the approval. The SLMs are developed with the approach of self explanatory, self-contained, self-directed, self- motivating and self-evaluating.

(d) The SDE of the University has two full time faculty members exclusively for coordinating the programme and also has a panel of qualified guest teachers for counselling students and engaging in personal contact programmes in the Head Quarters at Thiruvananthapuram and study centres at Kollam, Adoor and Alappuzha.

**Expected Programme Outcomes**

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

- Develop an ability to effectively communicate both orally and verbally in Hindi
- Develop self confidence and skills for working independently and in a team
- Have a foundation on literary theories, movements and history of Hindi literature
- Develop the ability to critically look at concepts, beliefs and ideas in society, while also learning to critically analyse texts and cultural artifacts.
- Have an increase awareness of the general issues prevailing in the society
Note: The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
School of Distance Education
Bachelor of Arts (History)
PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT

1. University of Kerala
The University of Kerala is a State university located in Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city of Kerala. University of Kerala is the first University in the State, originally established as the University of Travancore in 1937 and is the 16th oldest University of the country. The present territorial jurisdiction of the University extends to the revenue districts of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alapuzha and Pathanamthitta. The University of Kerala is offering courses in regular as well as distance mode. In regular mode the University offers wide range of programmes at the undergraduate, post graduate, MPhil, doctoral levels, post graduate diploma, diploma and certificate levels. In distance mode the University offers 13 UG and 13 PG programmes. The University of Kerala has undergone immense transformation on various fronts during the last 80 years. The University has been recognized by the UGC as per UGC Act, 1956 under Section 2 (f) and 12 (b) and has been reaccredited by NAAC with A grade in 2015. University also bagged the First Chancellor’s Award for the Best University in Kerala in 2015. There are at present 223 affiliated colleges and 82 research centres under the University and have 42 teaching and research departments (under 11 schools), 10 teacher education centres, 7 UIMs and 17 UITs. There are at present 149 faculty members of which 30 are Professors, 35 Associate Professors and 84 Assistant Professors under its 42 teaching and research departments. In addition, there are 54 guest faculty members and 10 visiting faculty members working in the departments. Among the teaching faculty members 160 are PhD degree holders. 1492 administrative staff and 30 technical staff are also working in the University.

2. The School of Distance Education
The School of Distance Education (SDE), started in 1976 as a teaching and research department of the University of Kerala, is one of the pioneering centres of distance learning in the State. The aims and objectives of the school include:

- Democratizing higher education to large segments of the population, in particular the disadvantaged groups like those living in remote and rural areas, working people, and women.
- Providing an innovative system of university-level education which is both flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrollment and age of entry.
- Providing an opportunity for up-gradation of skills and qualifications.
- Developing education as a lifelong activity to enable persons to update their knowledge or acquire knowledge in new areas.
University of Kerala is one of the Universities in India having appointed permanent full time teaching faculty members for running the distance education programmes. The SDE has 19 permanent faculty members and 8 full time contract faculty members with diverse academic backgrounds and rich experience in the rank of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors. The school had recognition of the erstwhile Distance Education Council (DEC) for 45 programmes till 2014-15. In line with the efforts of the UGC to streamline the distance learning mode, the SDE also redefined its programmes and got the UGC recognition to offer 13 UG and 13 PG programmes from the academic year 2017-18 onwards. The SDE has no private off campus/learner support centres.

3. Details of the Proposed BA (History) Programme
(a) Programme’s mission & Objectives

i. Mission
The University System is a respected higher- learning organization known for its distinctive strengths in providing superior and relevant distance learning programs to its learners. In keeping with this vision of the University of Kerala, the B.A History degree course tries to

1. To provide quality higher education with emphasis on educating the public by offering respected, relevant, accessible and affordable, student- focused programs, which prepare them for service and leadership in a diverse community.

2. It also tries providing access to educational opportunities to a highly qualified, diverse student population unable to participate in traditional academic activities; and offer pertinent and rigorous courses and programs to meet the academic needs of all students.

ii. Objectives
1. To provide an effective alternative path to wider opportunities in education and especially in higher education.
2. To provide an efficient and less expensive education
3. To provide education facilities to all qualified and willing persons
4. To provide opportunities of academic pursuits to educated citizens willing to improve their standard of knowledge
5. To provide education facilities to those individuals who look upon education as a life- long activity

(b) Relevance of the Program with HEI’s Mission and Goals
Offered in the distance mode, BA History course will be arranged in such a way that it will meet the primary objectives of the Open and Distance Learning (ODL) as proposed by various committees constituted by the HEIs for proposing reforms of improvement.

More over the B.A History Programme was designed as a foundation course to the students who wishes to go for the wider spectrum of knowledge offered through the M.A
Degree Course. The syllabus and curriculum is prepared at par with the syllabus and curriculum offered by the University of Kerala through regular scheme.

(c) **Nature of Prospective Target Group of Learners**

The B.A Degree course is distinctive for giving the students a proper perspective on the past. It gives as much attention to political, economic, social and cultural developments occurred in the past with a view to create awareness on the all-round changes occurred in the past.

B.A History course offers students a wide range of intellectual inputs from broad survey courses that look at particular themes or regions over a long period of time. Throughout the course the students learn to analyse complex evidence from a variety of sources, to develop analytical powers and to present findings effectively.

By looking at the history of different cultures, a History student can build up a better understanding of why certain peoples act the way they do. Looking at the history of the USA we can see why race tensions continued on past the abolition of slavery and arguably remain today. In reading the history of India we can see why the Caste system still remains in the subcontinent. By studying at the various tributaries of humanity, a broad cultural awareness is yours for the taking.

(d) **Appropriateness of Programme to Be Conducted in Open and Distance Learning Mode to Acquire Specific Skills and Competence**

This course is designed to develop a number of important skills in undergraduates. Among these are:

- acquiring a broad range of historical knowledge and understanding, including a sense of development over time, and an appreciation of the culture and attitudes of societies other than our own;
- evaluating critically the significance and utility of a large body of material, including evidence from contemporary sources and the opinions of more recent historians;
- engaging directly with questions and presenting independent opinions about them in arguments that are well-written, clearly expressed, coherently organised and effectively supported by relevant evidence;
- gaining the confidence to undertake self-directed learning, making the most effective use of time and resources, and increasingly defining one's own questions and goals.

These are valuable skills in themselves. They are also highly sought after by employers. Well-qualified History graduates from Cambridge have no difficulty in getting good jobs in a very wide range of occupations - in business and finance, in public administration, in journalism and broadcasting, in teaching at a number of levels, or in research-based careers of various kinds. History is not as obviously vocational as some courses, but it combines an excellent training in vital skills with a high degree of interest and enjoyment.
### Instructional Design

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(ii) Duration of the Programme

The programme consists of 6 Semesters spreading to three years.

(iii) Faculty and Support Staff Requirement

There is two full time faculty members available and one of them coordinates the BA Programme in English. There is sufficient staff support from the SDE office for processing administrative work. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the Vice Chancellor are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

(iv) Instructional Delivery Mechanisms

In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 60 contact hours each
semester, conducted over 10 days during the weekend. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources. In the instructional delivery mechanism efforts were made to establish a positive classroom environment to make the classroom a pleasant, friendly place; accept individual differences, begin lessons by giving clear instructions, maintain student attention and providing suitable seatwork.

(f) Procedure for Admissions, Curriculum Transaction and Evaluation

(i) Admission and Eligibility

Applications for admissions are received online. Eligibility for admission to BA History is a pass in Higher Secondary Examination of the State or an Examination accepted by the University as equivalent thereto.

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(ii) Fee Structure: The fee for the course is Rs.13605/-.

(iii) Financial Assistance

Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed form SC/ST department as per the rules lay down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).
(iv) Programme Delivery

Curriculum is transacted in the Distance Mode with the help of Self Learning Material and Personal Contact Classes.

The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.

(v) Evaluation

Evaluation is continuous and end semester.

Continuous Evaluation requires the submission of one assignment and one Test Paper for each course carrying 10 marks each.

End Semester Examinations are conducted by the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala. The written exams carry 80 marks per paper.

(g) Requirement of the Laboratory Support and Library Resources

A laboratory hour is not mandatory for BA History, but students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in- house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

(h) Cost Estimate of the Programme and the Provisions

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Cost per student/year=Rs.3335

(i) Quality assurance mechanism and expected programme outcomes

(i) Quality Assurance Mechanism
The University Board of Studies for FDP History programmes approves and reviews the syllabus, course content, and the Self Learning Material of BA History offered in the distance mode also.

The overall ensuring of quality will be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, School of Distance Education.

(ii) Expected Programme Outcomes

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

- Develop an ability to effectively communicate both orally and verbally
- Appreciate importance of working independently and in a team
- Develop an understanding of various arts and humanities subjects
- Develop self-confidence and awareness of general issues prevailing in the society
- Write competitive examinations for securing lucrative jobs as officers/administrators in government or other public/private sectors etc.
- Develop an understanding of Indian economy, history of human rights movement, major trends in Indian historical thoughts and writings, Political science, Public finance and banking etc.

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MISSION & OBJECTIVES

In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education to all, the programme, BA Political Science aims to familiarize the students with Social Sciences in general and Political Science as a discipline in particular, the key concepts of Political Science and the significance of Political Science.

The BA programme in Political Science is well designed for students who have interest to develop their career as a Social Science teacher in secondary and higher educational institutions. In addition the Political Science students can search their career options in interest groups, non-profit organizations and for positions in local, state, and central legislative and bureaucratic offices. In addition to this, the course is also useful for LLB students for widening the horizon of institutional and theoretical knowledge of Political Science through the study of state and government, policy concerns, laws, etc.

The programme aims at the following objectives:

- To create an awareness on the various concepts of Political Science
- To educate students with the diverse theories, models, approaches and intellectual traditions of Political Science which are the prerequisites for both scholars and teachers in the discipline.
- To prepare students for their entry into post graduation programmes in Political Science, International Relations, Gandhian Studies, etc. and careers in teaching, civil service and others.

RELEVANCE OF THE PROGRAM WITH HEI’S MISSION AND GOALS

The BA Political Science programme offered through distance mode is closely aligned with the vision and mission of the same programme offered through regular mode in University of Kerala. For that it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the regular programme offered through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala. BA Political Science in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for the MA Political Science programme offered by the university. The programme intends to provide quality education at the graduation level to all students. As a higher education programme it orients the students towards teaching, research and service to the public. Materializing such objectives we offer knowledge based at the same time socially responsible education in Political Science at an affordable cost.
**Nature of Prospective Target Group of Learners:**

BA programme in Political Science has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through affiliated colleges. This will join the attempt to democratising higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry. Different from the same regular programme, generally students under distance mode constitute pupils from rural areas, poor socio-economic background and marginalized sections. Permanent or temporarily employed men and women in different age groups also seek the programme for their career advancement. Besides a segment of women who want to pursue higher studies after marriage also come up for the same programme.

** Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence:**

The following skills and competencies can be acquired through distance mode of learning without fail which is generally essential for a bachelor’s degree in Political Science.

- **Understanding skill:** the programme helps the students to develop their understanding level through the study of basic concepts in Political Science such as state, government, civil society, public opinion, political parties, etc.

- **Analytical skill:** The programme helps to provide an analytical capacity for students through data analysis and interpretation of political problems, issues, concerns and policy challenges.

- **Teaching skill:** The Programme impart necessary teaching skills among students by educating them with the diverse theories, models, approaches and intellectual traditions in Political Science.

- **Research skill:** The Programme gives training in the appropriate research skills necessary for their entry into post graduation programmes. As part of research training a student can develop his/her ability in critical thinking and analysis.

- **Writing skill:** The programme practices the students in academic writing and equally helps them to improve their presentation skills.

- **Community participation skill:** The programme also helps the students to interact and participate with different communities to enable them to identify social problems around them.
## Instructional Design:

### Scheme of First Degree Programme in Political Science

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**Duration of the Programme**

6 Semesters, three years; offered in the month of July

**Faculty and Support Staff Requirement**

There are two full time faculty members available and one of them coordinates the BA Programme in Political Science. There is sufficient staff support from the SDE office for processing administrative work. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the Vice Chancellor are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

**Instructional Delivery Mechanisms**

In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 60 contact hours each semester, conducted over 10 days during the weekend. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use authentic web resources from genuine sites.

**Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation:**

1. **Admission**

Applications for admissions are received online. Eligibility for admission to BA Political Science is a pass in Higher Secondary Examination of the State or an Examination accepted by the University as equivalent thereto.

2. **Fee structure**: Rs. 13,605/- (Rupees twelve thousand five hundred only)

3. **Financial Assistance**

Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed from SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University.
Fund (KUF).

4. **Programme Delivery**

The programme is being delivered with the help of SLM and Personal Contact programmes. The SLM is being dispatched to the students during each semester by hand or by post. And, at the end of each semester assignments are given and the marks are included in the ESA. The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.

5. **Academic Calendar**

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6. **Evaluation**

The evaluation of the programme will consist of two parts: a) Continuous Evaluation (CE) b) End Semester Evaluation (ESE) The CE and ESE ratio shall be 1:4 i.e. a maximum of 20 marks for CE and a maximum of 80 marks for ESE. There will be no separate minimum for CE and ESE. However, the minimum pass requirement of a course will be 40%. Minimum marks required for passing a programme will also be 40%.

The classification of results of the programme shall be done at the end of the 6th semester based on the total marks secured for all semesters and shall be as follows.

Candidates securing not less than 40% but below 50% - Third Class
Candidates securing not less than 50% but below 60% - Second Class
Candidates securing 60% and above - First Class

(a) Continuous Evaluation (CE): In a semester each student shall be required to submit one assignment and do one Test Paper for each course without which his/her results will be
withheld. Those who submit their assignments after the due date will have to pay a late fee as fixed by the university from time to time. The components of CE are, Assignment (10 marks) and Test Paper (10 marks). The results of the CE shall be displayed in SDE website. Complaints regarding the award of marks for CE if any have to be submitted to the Programme Coordinator within 15 working days from the display of results of CE.

(b) End Semester Evaluation (ESE): End Semester Evaluation of all the Courses in all the semesters including the examination for Essay shall be conducted by the University.

Minimum attendance required for ESE will be 50%. However those who cannot secure the required percentage of attendance can appear for ESE by paying a condonation fee fixed by the University.

Examinations for odd and even semesters will be conducted together towards the end of every academic year.

Improvement of ESE - Candidates who have successfully completed the Semester, but wish to improve their marks for the End Semester Evaluation (ESE) shall have only one chance for the same along with the next immediate regular batch of students.

**Requirement of the laboratory support and Library Resources**

A laboratory hour is not mandatory for BA political science, but students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in- house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

**Cost Estimate of the Programme and the Provisions (Base 2019-20)**

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Quality Assurance Mechanism

The University Board of Studies for FDP Political Science programmes approves and reviews the syllabus, course content, and the Self Learning Material of BA Political Science offered in the distance mode also.

The overall ensuring of quality will be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, School of Distance Education.

Expected Programme Outcomes

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

- Understand the political institutions in local, national and international level
- Compare the government of developing, developed and underdeveloped nations
- Analyze the political thoughts of western and Indian political thinkers
- Understand the major political and social issues prevailing in the country
- Know the nature and extent of basic ideas of Indian constitution
- Understand major political theories such as democracy, liberalism, socialism, etc.
- Develop their career as journalist in mass media, legal and political spokesman of the different political institutions such as political parties, interest and pressure groups, etc.
- Develop their career as academicians as well as active participants in political life
- Prepare for competitive examinations conducted by UPSC, PSC, SSC, etc.

Note: The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA  
School of Distance Education  
Bachelor of Arts (Sociology)  
PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT

(a) Programme’s Mission & Objectives

Mission

In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education to all, the programme BA Sociology aims to familiarize the students with the emergence of Social Sciences and Sociology as a discipline, key sociological concepts and the significance of sociology in the undergraduate level.

Objectives

- Develop an understanding of historical roots of Social Science
- To create an awareness on the various concepts of sociology
- To identify the relevance of Sociology as a discipline and its application

(b) Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals

Offered in the distance mode, BA Sociology will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focussed, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

BA Sociology in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for the MA Sociology programme offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

(c) Nature of Prospective Target Group of Learners

BA programme in Sociology has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges. This will join the attempt to democratising higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry.

Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the fresh learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.
(d) **Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence**

The BA Sociology programme will see to ensure the following skills and competences in the learners.

1. **Understanding skill:** Students are trained to understand origin and survival of society and social relationships and develop an understanding of clarity in basic concepts in sociology.

2. **Analytical skill:** To identify the relevance of sociology as a discipline and its application.

3. **Community participation skill:** Students are encouraged to interact and participate with different communities to enable them to identify social problems around them.

4. **Research skill:** To provide an understanding of the fundamentals of social research and its applications.

(e) **Instructional Design**

**Scheme of First Degree Programme under Credit and Semester System (CSS) in Sociology**

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### (f) Duration of the programme

6 Semesters, three years.

### (g) Faculty and support staff requirement

There are two full time faculty members available and one of them coordinates the BA Programme in Sociology. There is sufficient staff support from the SDE office for processing administrative work. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the Vice Chancellor are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

### (h) Instructional delivery mechanisms

In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 60 contact hours each semester, conducted over 10 days during the weekend. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use authentic web resources from genuine sites.

### (f) Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation:

Applications for admissions are received online. Eligibility for admission to BA Sociology is a pass in Higher Secondary Examination of the State or an Examination accepted by the University as equivalent thereto.

#### Academic Calendar

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V and VI Semester | First week of April  
III and IV Semester | Second and Third week of April  
I and II Semester | Fourth week of April

(i) **Fee structure**: RS 13605/- for the full programme.

Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

(j) **Financial assistance**

Concession for tuition will be given to SC/ST and OEC category students who will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed from SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

(k) **Curriculum** is transacted in the Distance Mode with the help of Self Learning Material and Personal Contact Classes.

The uses of web-based tools are not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.

(l) **Evaluation** is continuous and end semester.

Continuous Evaluation requires the submission of one assignment and one Test Paper for each course carrying 10 marks each (total 20 marks).

End Semester Examinations are conducted by the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala. The written exams carry 80 marks per paper.

(m) **Requirement of the laboratory support and Library Resources**

Laboratory hours are not mandatory for BA Sociology, but students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in-house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non-members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.
(n) Cost Estimate of the Programme and the Provisions (Base 2019-20)

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(o) Quality assurance mechanism

The University Board of Studies for Sociology programmes approves and reviews the syllabus, course content, and the Self Learning Material of BA Sociology offered in the distance mode also.

The quality of the programme will also be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, School of Distance Education.

(p) Expected outcomes

- The students will gain a new dimension about societal life.
- The students will develop a critical analysis of social actions and its effects and consequences in the society
- The subject will develop a sense of “social being” rather than human being among students.
Note: The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA  
School of Distance Education  

Bachelor of Arts (Economics)  

PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT  

1. University of Kerala  
The University of Kerala is a State university located in Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city of Kerala. University of Kerala is the first University in the State, originally established as the University of Travancore in 1937 and is the 16th oldest University of the country. The present territorial jurisdiction of the University extends to the revenue districts of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alapuzha and Pathanamthitta. The University of Kerala is offering courses in regular as well as distance mode. In regular mode the University offers wide range of programmes at the undergraduate, post graduate, MPhil, doctoral, post graduate diploma, diploma and certificate levels. In distance mode the University offers 13 UG and 13 PG programmes. The University of Kerala has undergone immense transformation on various fronts during the last 80 years. The University has been recognized by the UGC as per UGC Act, 1956 under Section 2 (f) and 12 (b) and has been reaccredited by NAAC with A grade in 2015. University also bagged the First Chancellor’s Award for the Best University in Kerala in 2015. There are at present 223 affiliated colleges and 82 research centres under the University and have 42 teaching and research departments (under 11 schools), 10 teacher education centres, 7 UIMs and 17 UITs. There are at present 149 faculty members of which 30 are Professors, 35 Associate Professors and 84 Assistant Professors under its 42 teaching and research departments. In addition, there are 54 guest faculty members and 10 visiting faculty members working in the departments. Among the teaching faculty members 160 are PhD degree holders. 1492 administrative staff and 30 technical staff are also working in the University.  

2. The School of Distance Education  
The School of Distance Education (SDE), started in 1976 as a teaching and research department of the University of Kerala, is one of the pioneering centres of distance learning in the State. The aims and objectives of the school include:  

- Democratizing higher education to large segments of the population, in particular the disadvantaged groups like those living in remote and rural areas, working people, and women.  
- Providing an innovative system of university-level education which is both flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrollment and age of entry.  
- Providing an opportunity for up-gradation of skills and qualifications.  
- Developing education as a lifelong activity to enable persons to update their knowledge or acquire knowledge in new areas.
University of Kerala is one of the Universities in India having appointed permanent full time teaching faculty members for running the distance education programmes. The SDE has 19 permanent faculty members and 8 full time contract faculty members with diverse academic backgrounds and rich experience in the rank of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors.

The school had recognition of the erstwhile Distance Education Council (DEC) for 45 programmes till 2014-15. In line with the efforts of the UGC to stream line the distance learning mode, the SDE also redefined its programmes and got the UGC recognition to offer 13 UG and 13 PG programmes from the academic year 2017-18 onwards. The SDE has no private off campus/learner support centres.

3. Details of the Proposed B.A. Programme

(a) Programme’s Mission & Objectives

Mission

In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education to all, the programme BA Economics intends to deliver a meaningful educational experience that will prepare students to participate effectively and also to contribute productively in the affairs of our society using knowledge learned during their study of economics.

Objectives

1) To enable learners to develop a sound understanding of economic principles.
2) To provide a general understanding of the functioning of economic systems and the role of institutions, groups and regions within that system.
3) To impart skills in relevant quantitative techniques and methods of economic analysis.
4) To make the students capable of undertaking critical evaluation of contemporary economic issues.
5) To prepare the students for a range of careers in both public as well as private sectors, including higher academic pursuits by imparting subject specific and generic skills.

(b) Relevance of the Program with HEI's Mission and Goals

The programme BA Economics, offered through distance mode will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focussed, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

BA Economics in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for the MA Economics programmes offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

(c) Nature of Prospective Target Group of Learners

A BA programme in Economics is one of the most sought after programmes for higher education, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular
mode through colleges. Therefore a BA Economics programme offered through distance mode will help to democratise higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry.

Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the fresh learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.

(d) Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence:

The BA Economics programme aims to develop three important skills in the students:

*Subject specific skills:*

- To have knowledge on the fundamentals of economics.
- To have an understanding of quantitative methods and computing techniques relevant to the study of economics.
- To have a strong foundation and understanding of economic theories and concepts so as to pursue higher academic qualifications.
- To have knowledge of relevance of economics to the study of society.

*Cognitive skills*

- To identify and explore important economic issues.
- To interpret data and produce analytical practical reports.
- To deploy high level of analysis and critical judgment in relation to theory and methods. Practical skills
- The ability to prepare comprehensive reports and present ideas clearly and concisely in written and oral form.
- The ability to use computer applications.

(e) Instructional Design

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**Duration of the Programme:** 6 Semesters (three years).

**Faculty and Support Staff Requirement:** There are two full time faculty members available and one of them coordinates the BA Programme in Economics. There is sufficient staff support from the SDE office for processing administrative work. The service of qualified
guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the Vice Chancellor are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

**Instructional Delivery Mechanisms:** In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 60 contact hours each semester, conducted over 10 days. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources. A repertoire of audio/video lectures are being prepared, which will be made available to the learners on an experimental basis from this academic year onwards.

(f) **Procedure for Admissions, Curriculum Transaction and Evaluation:**

Applications for admission are received online. Eligibility for admission to BA Economics is a pass in Higher Secondary Examination of the State or an Examination accepted by the University as equivalent thereto.

**Academic Calendar**

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| Schedule of contact classes                   |
| Course                                        | Schedule                    |
| III, IV, V and VI Semester                    | First week of July          |
| I & II Semester                               | First week of November      |

| Schedule of examinations                      |
| Course                                        | Schedule                    |
| V and VI Semester                             | First week of April         |
| III and IV Semester                           | Second and Third week of April |
| I and II Semester                             | Fourth week of April        |

**Fee Structure:** The fee for the course is Rs.14655/-. Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

**Financial Assistance:** Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed form SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

**Curriculum Transaction:** Curriculum is transacted in the Distance Mode with the help of Self Learning Material and Personal Contact Classes. The use of web-based tools is not in
place yet, but steps are being initiated.

**Evaluation:** The evaluation of each course shall consist of two parts,

1) Continuous Evaluation (CE)

2) End Semester Evaluation (ESE)

The CE and ESE ratio shall be 1:4 for the courses i.e. a maximum of 20 marks for CE and a maximum of 80 marks for ESE. There is no separate minimum for CE and ESE. However the minimum pass requirement of a course is 40%. Minimum marks required for passing a programme is also 40%. Continuous Evaluation requires each student to submit one assignment (10 marks) and do one Test paper/Practicum/Case Analysis (10 marks) for each course without which his/her results will be withheld. In the case of Informatics course given in the third semester, CE (20 marks) is based on practicals. End Semester Evaluation of all the courses in all the semesters shall be conducted by the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala.

**(g) Requirement of the Laboratory Support and Library Resources**

Computer lab is mandatory in the third semester of BA Economics programme while learning Informatics course. The students can avail the computers in the Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in-house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

**(h) Cost Estimate of the Programme and the Provisions (Base 2019-20)**

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(i) Quality Assurance Mechanism and Expected Programme Outcomes

**Quality Assurance Mechanism:** The Board of Studies for B.A. Economics constituted by the University of Kerala approves and reviews the syllabus and course content. The SDE, University of Kerala has devised the following mechanism for monitoring the effectiveness of the B.A. programme to enhance its standards of curriculum, instructional design etc.

(a) Established a Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) at the University level to develop and put in place a comprehensive and dynamic internal quality assurance system to enhance the quality of the programmes offered through distance mode as per the norms and guidelines of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.

(b) The CIQA is periodically conducting institutional quality audits, to promote quality assurance and enhance as well as spread best- in-class practices of quality assurance. The CIQA conducts the quality audit by addressing the following seven broad areas, namely:

   i. Governance, leadership and management
   ii. Articulation of higher educational institutions objecties
   iii. Programme development and approval processes
   iv. Infrastructure resources
   v. Learning environment and learner support
   vi. Assessment & evaluation of learning outcomes
   vii. Teaching quality and staff development

(c) The SDE has an approved panel of experts for preparing SLM. The SLM prepared is being edited by the course coordinator. The CIQA also oversees the development and preparation of SLMs. Then submit the SLMs to the Board of Studies concerned for the approval. The SLMs are developed with the approach of self explanatory, self-contained, self-directed, self- motivating and self-evaluating.

(d) The SDE of the University has two full time faculty members exclusively for coordinating the programme and also has a panel of qualified guest teachers for counselling students and engaging in personal contact programmes.

**Expected Programme Outcomes:**

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

- Discuss critically and innovatively.
- Explain important economic actors, organizations, and institutions in an economy and explain their role and impact.
- Apply their knowledge and learning to engage in informed debate and to analyze and solve problems.
- Demonstrate ability to use the economic tools of analysis as well requisite computer applications.
- Enter post-graduate life prepared to respond to a wide variety of economic situations efficiently in order to achieve positive outcomes.

**Note:** The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA  
School of Distance Education  

Bachelor of Commerce  
PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT  

1. University of Kerala  
The University of Kerala is a State university located in Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city Kerala. University of Kerala is the first University in the State, originally established as the University of Travancore in 1937 and is the 16th oldest University of the country. The present territorial jurisdiction of the University extends to the revenue districts of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alapuzha and Pathanamthitta. The University of Kerala is offering courses in regular as well as distance mode. In regular mode the University offers wide range of programmes at the undergraduate, post graduate, MPhil, doctoral levels, post graduate diploma, diploma and certificate levels. In distance mode the University offers 13 UG and 13 PG programmes. The University of Kerala has undergone immense transformation on various fronts during the last 80 years. The University has been recognized by the UGC as per UGC Act, 1956 under Section 2 (f) and 12 (b) and has been reaccredited by NAAC with A grade in 2015. University also bagged the First Chancellor’s Award for the Best University in Kerala in 2015. There are at present 223 affiliated colleges and 82 research centres under the University and have 42 teaching and research departments (under 11 schools), 10 teacher education centres, 7 UIMs and 17 UITs. There are at present 149 faculty members of which 30 are Professors, 35 Associate Professors and 84 Assistant Professors under its 42 teaching and research departments. In addition, there are 54 guest faculty members and 10 visiting faculty members working in the departments. Among the teaching faculty members 160 are PhD degree holders. 1492 administrative staff and 30 technical staff are also working in the University.

2. The School of Distance Education  
The School of Distance Education (SDE), started in 1976 as a teaching and research department of the University of Kerala is one of the pioneering centres of distance learning in the State. The aims and objectives of the school include:

- Democratizing higher education to large segments of the population, in particular the disadvantaged groups like those living in remote and rural areas, working people, and women.
- Providing an innovative system of university-level education which is both flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrollment and age of entry.
- Providing an opportunity for up-gradation of skills and qualifications.
- Developing education as a lifelong activity to enable persons to update their knowledge or acquire knowledge in new areas.

University of Kerala is one of the Universities in India having appointed permanent full time teaching faculty members for running the distance education programmes. The SDE has
19 permanent faculty members and 9 full time contract faculty members with diverse academic backgrounds and rich experience in the rank of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors. The school had recognition of the erstwhile Distance Education Council (DEC) for 45 programmes till 2014-15. In line with the efforts of the UGC to stream line the distance learning mode, the SDE also redefined its programmes and got the UGC recognition to offer 13 UG and 12 PG programmes from the academic year 2017-18 onwards. The SDE has no private off campus/learner support centres.

3. Details of the Proposed B.Com Programme

3.1 Mission & Objectives

In line with the mission of the SDE, to provide flexible learning opportunities to all, particularly to those who could not join regular colleges or universities owing to social, economic and other constraints, the first degree programme in Commerce (B.Com) aims at providing for holistic and value based knowledge and guidance that they need to become worthy accounting and management professionals.

The programme aims at the following objectives:

1. To provide conceptual knowledge and application skills in the domain of Commerce studies.
2. To sharpen a students’ analytical and decision making skills.
3. To provide a good foundation to students who plan to pursue professional courses like CA, IC MA, CFA, CS, MBA etc.
4. To facilitate students with skills and abilities to become competent and competitive to be assured of good careers and job placements.
5. To develop entrepreneurship and managerial skills in students so as to enable them establish and manage their business establishments.
6. To develop ethical business professionals with a broad understanding of business from an interdisciplinary perspective.

3.2 Relevance of the Programme with the Mission and Goals of the University

The growing phenomenon of globalization, liberalization and privatization has been immensely influencing higher education. The mission and goal of the University of Kerala is also to incorporate the changes in the syllabus and curriculum of all its academic programmes on time. To accomplish this, the University used to revise the syllabus and curriculum for its UG and PG programmes once in every three years. Further, the revised syllabus and curriculum will be applicable to both the regular and distance programmes.

Commerce education is nothing but business education. Bachelor of Commerce (B.Com) is one of the most sought programmes after 10+2 in Kerala. The B.Com programme of the University aims to construct a strong foundational grounding in core subjects such as Accounting, Taxation, Economics, Statistics, Auditing, along with a choice of Finance, Computer Application and Cooperation, studied in the third, fourth, fifth and sixth semester. It is designed to provide students with a wide range of managerial
skills, while at the same time building competence in a particular area of business. B.Com programme is suitable for students who are looking forward to a career in the modern business world. After successful completion, candidate may pursue career opportunities across accounting, finance, economic sectors, in either specialist or generalist roles or pursue higher academic courses. The programme is of three years duration. Each year is divided into two semesters. The students of this programme will get an opportunity to apply the concepts learned by professionally qualified and experienced faculty members. Students will be exposed to state-of-the-art teaching aids, library with an array of large number of books and journals on Commerce and industry orientation.

3.3 Nature of Prospective Target Group of Learners

B.Com programme has been designed to meet the expanding needs in Commerce education at all levels and provide necessary manpower to business, industry, service and government and private sectors in the areas like accounting and finance. As only a small percentage of the B.Com aspirants in Kerala are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges it is hoped that the programme offered through the distance mode of the university will be a boon for those who could not join regular colleges owing to social, economic and other constraints such as eligibility for enrolment, age of entry, time and place etc.

The Self Learning Material (SLM) for the programme has also been developed keeping in mind the said categories of learners with the approach of self-explanatory, self-contained, self-directed, self motivating and self-evaluating. The norms and guidelines suggested in the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 such as backgrounds of learner and learning needs, learning experiences, and support and preparation in adapting to flexible learning were strictly adhered to during the planning period of developing SLM. The ingredients considered while developing SLMs include: (a) learning objectives (b) assessment of prior knowledge (c) learning activities (d) feedback of learning activities (e) examples and illustrations (f) self-assessment tests (g) summaries and key points (h) study tips etc.

3.4 Appropriateness of Programme to Be Conducted in Open and Distance Learning Mode to Acquire Specific Skills and Competence

Distance learning programmes are getting popular in India and a lot of students want to earn their degree while working. Accordingly, about 120 universities in India have been recognised by the DEB of UGC for offering ODL programmes during 2016-17. Of these, more than 100 universities are offering B Com programme. This is because of the appropriateness of the programme to be conducted in ODL mode and ever increasing number of takers owing to the popularity of the programme.

The programme could be considered appropriate to be conducted in ODL mode to acquire specific skills and competence for the following reasons:

1. All the courses in the programme are theory and/or problem based. So, no laboratory or experiment is needed to impart the skills and competence required for the programme.

2. The specific skill and competencies required for a B.Com graduate can be imparted to a great extent through SLMs prepared with the approach of self-explanatory, self-
directed, self-motivating and self-evaluating.

3. Availability large volumes of study material on the various courses under the B.Com programme in the Internet or websites of the UGC or Universities in the form of notes in word/PDF format, PPTs, videos etc, and the counselling hours earmarked per course are considered sufficient to impart the required skill and competencies for the programme.

3.5 Instructional Design

3.5.1 Curriculum Design

The B.Com programme proposed here is also offered by the University through regular mode. Also, the programme has been approved by the statutory bodies of the University. Further, the University is revising the curriculum and syllabi of its B.Com programme once in every three years to ensure that the content is updated to reflect current academic knowledge and practice, and also to ensure that the University used provide the best learning experiences possible for students. Academic staff and experts in the area of Commerce propose changes in the curriculum and syllabi at the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop generally convened at least six months before the due date of curriculum and syllabus revision. Major changes are then submitted to the Board of Studies of Commerce (Pass) of the University for Final Approval. As part of curriculum design, the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop considers curriculum analysis of social needs, translating the needs into course, splitting the objectives into specific objectives, grouping the specific objectives into subjects, deriving the subjects from the classification, specifying enabling objectives, unitizing each subject matter, specification of required time and syllabus formulation.

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**3.6 Duration of the Programme**

Six Semesters, three years; offered in the month of July.

**3.7 Faculty and Support Staff Requirement**

There are four full time faculty members for the B.Com and M.Com programmes of the school of Distance education of the University. Two of them coordinate the B.Com Programme. There are sufficient number of administrative staff in the SDE in the rank of Deputy Registrar (One), Assistant Registrars (Three), Section Officers (Six), Assistants (18), Computer operators (Four) and Class Four staff (12) for the administrative support. The service of qualified guest teachers approved by the University is used in the preparation of SLM, personal contact programmes (PCP) and conducting evaluation of answer scripts.

**3.8 Instructional Delivery Mechanisms**

In addition to provide SLMs prepared in line with the UGC guidelines on preparation of SLMs, students are being offered 60 contact hours for each semester, conducted over 10 days during the weekend. The personal contact programmes are being taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources such as books, notes, videos etc.
3.9 Student Support Service Systems at SDE
(a) Information Centre, (b) Library with good collection of books and journals (c) Wi-Fi connectivity, (d) Counselling, (e) Students feedback, (f) Placement cell, (g) Students Grievance Redressal Cell, (g) Alumni Association, (i) Women’s Cell, (j) Research Cell, (k) Post Office, (l) Snack bar and Refreshment Centre, (m) Restrooms, (n) Reprographic centre, (o) Drinking water etc.

3.10 Procedure for Admissions, Curriculum Transaction and Evaluation

3.10.1 Admission
The admission notifications for B.Com programme, among others are being issued in leading national and regional dailies during June-July. The detailed information regarding admission is being given on the SDE website (www.ideku.net) and on the admission website (www.de.keralauniversity.ac.in). Students seeking admission shall apply online.

3.10.2 Minimum Eligibility for Admission
Eligibility for admission to the programme is a pass in Higher Secondary Examination of the State or an examination accepted by the University as equivalent thereto provided candidates coming from non-Commerce group should have at least 45% of the aggregate marks.

3.10.3 Fee Structure
B.Com (Finance/Cooperation) Rs. 13345/- for full programme; B.Com (Computer Application) Rs.17545/- for full programme.

3.10.4 Financial Assistance
Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed from SC/ST department as per the rules lay down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

3.10.5 Programme Delivery
The programme is being delivered with the help of SLM and Personal Contact programmes. The SLM is being dispatched to the students during each semester by hand or by post. And, at the end of each semester assignments are given and the marks are included in the ESA. The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.

3.11 Academic Calendar

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### 3.12 Evaluation

The evaluation of the programme will consist of two parts: a) Continuous Evaluation (CE) b) End Semester Evaluation (ESE) The CE and ESE ratio shall be 1:4 i.e. a maximum of 20 marks for CE and a maximum of 80 marks for ESE. There will be no separate minimum for CE and ESE. However, the minimum pass requirement of a course will be 40%. Minimum marks required for passing a programme will also be 40%. The classification of results of the programme shall be done at the end of the 6th semester based on the total marks secured for all semesters and shall be as follows.

- Candidates securing not less than 40% but below 50% - Third Class Candidates
- Candidates securing not less than 50% but below 60% - Second Class Candidates
- Candidates securing 60% and above - First Class

(a) Continuous Evaluation (CE): In a semester each student shall be required to submit one assignment and do one Test Paper/Practicum/Case Analysis for each course without which his/her results will be withheld. Those who submit their assignments after the due date will have to pay a late fee as fixed by the university from time to time. The components of CE are, Assignment (10 marks) and Test Paper/Practicum /Case Analysis (10 marks). The results of the CE shall be displayed in SDE website. Complaints regarding the award of marks for CE if any have to be submitted to the Programme Coordinator within 15 working days from the display of results of CE.

(b) End Semester Evaluation (ESE): End Semester Evaluation of all the Courses in all the semesters including the examination for Essay shall be conducted by the University. Minimum attendance required for ESE will be 50%. However those who cannot secure the required percentage of attendance can appear for ESE by paying a condonation fee fixed by the University.

Examinations for odd and even semesters will be conducted together towards the end of every academic year.

Improvement of ESE - Candidates who have successfully completed the Semester, but wish to improve their marks for the End Semester Evaluation (ESE) shall have only one chance for the same along with the next immediate regular batch of students.

The minimum credits required for the award of the Programme

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Minimum Credits for Language Courses | 22
Minimum Credits required for Foundation Courses | 5
Credits required for Core Courses including Project/ Dissertation Work/Essay/ Comprehensive Course | 61
Credits required for Complementary Courses | 12
Minimum Credits required for Core Courses | 5
Minimum Credits required for Open Courses | 2
Minimum Credits required for 2-22 Elective Courses | 18

3.13 Requirement of the Laboratory Support and Library Resources

Computer Lab is not mandatory for B.Com (Finance and Cooperation streams. But, it’s is mandatory for B.Com (Computer Application). The students can use the state-of-the-art Computer Lab of the SDE.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. There is a separate section in the library for Commerce and Management discipline with more than 4000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in-house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student’s ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

3.14 Cost Estimate of the Programme and the Provisions (Base 2019-20)

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3.15 Quality Assurance Mechanism and Expected Programme Outcomes

3.15.1 Quality Assurance Mechanism

The SDE, University of Kerala has devised the following mechanism for monitoring the effectiveness of the B.Com programme to enhance its standards of curriculum, instructional design etc.
(a) Established a Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) at the University level to develop and put in place a comprehensive and dynamic internal quality assurance system to enhance the quality of the programmes offered through distance mode as per the norms and guidelines of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.

(b) The CIQA is periodically conducting institutional quality audits, to promote quality assurance and enhance as well as spread best-in-class practices of quality assurance. The CIQA conducts the quality audit by addressing the following seven broad areas, namely:
   i. Governance, leadership and management
   ii. Articulation of higher educational institutions objectives
   iii. Programme development and approval processes
   iv. Infrastructure resources
   v. Learning environment and learner support
   vi. Assessment & evaluation of learning outcomes
   vii. Teaching quality and staff development

(c) The SDE has an approved panel of experts for preparing SML. The SLM prepared is being edited by the course coordinator. The CIQA also oversees the development and preparation of SLMs. Then submit the SLMs to the Board of Studies concerned for the approval. The SLMs are developed with the approach of self explanatory, self-contained, self-directed, self-motivating and self-evaluating.

(d) The SDE of the University has two full-time faculty members exclusively for coordinating the programme and also has a panel of qualified guest teachers for counselling students and engaging in personal contact programmes in the Head Quarters at Thiruvananthapuram and study centres at Kollam

3.16 Expected Programme Outcomes

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:
- Develop an ability to effectively communicate both orally and verbally
- Appreciate importance of working independently and in a team
- Have exposure of complex commerce problems and find their solution
- Process information by effective use of IT tools
- Understand required analytical and statistical tools for financial and accounting analysis
- Develop an understanding of various commerce functions such as finance, accounting, auditing, taxation, financial analysis, project evaluation, and cost accounting
- Develop self-confidence and awareness of general issues prevailing in the society
Note: The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
a. Mission and Objectives

Mission

To impart quality education on management concepts, theories and applications so as to create entrepreneurs as well as successful managers in different functional disciplines.

Objectives

i. To help learners in understanding the basic concepts of management, management theories and management practices.

ii. To impart analytical skills in understanding managerial problems and functional issues so as to enable them to enrich learning to resolve issues.

iii. To provide skills in the application of management theories and principles in an organizational context.

b. Relevance of the Program with HEI’s and Goals

BBA program would help in imparting basic skills on the fundamentals of management principles, theories and thoughts. It would act as a basic UG level program that aspires to meet the needs of middle level and lower level managers as well as small and medium entrepreneur so as to help them in building their careers or improving their organisations. The program would also act as a feeder program for the MBA and M.Com program of the University.

The BBA program in the distance learning mode would have the same curriculum as that of the regular mode and hence would be at par with the regular program of the University.

c. Nature of Prospective Target Group of Learners

- Managers, supervisors and employees of tiny, small and medium enterprises seeking functional opportunities in the areas of Marketing HRM, Finance, Tourism.
- Young entrepreneurs
- Employees at the lower and middle levels of different organisations who are seeking career growth.
- Managers of Voluntary organisations, self-help groups and NGO’s.
- Higher Secondary school passes outs who are seeking a career at management level.
d. Appropriateness of programmes to be conducted in Open and Distance learning made to acquire specific skills and competence.

BBA (Semester I and II)

- Understanding of basic management concepts.
- Acquiring fundamental skills on research methods including data analysis and interpretation.
- Drawing inputs on the functional areas of management

BBA (Semester III, IV, V & VI)

From III semester onwards students can elect any one of the four streams viz, Finance, Marketing, HRM, Tourism.

1. Finance

Understanding financial systems and learning to judge movements in the financial markets, skills in investing in the primary and secondary market, portfolio management skills, financial engineering and analytics.

2. Marketing Management

Developing a marketing mix then creating a product mix, formulating a promotion mix, marketing research competencies, marketing strategies in the Indian context.

3. HRM

Understanding manpower planning techniques, skills in developing job design, understanding of training needs and training methods, skills on behavioural analysis and behavioural change, HR development strategies including motivation, counseling and mentoring.

4. Tourism Management

Understanding the tourism sector and its lucrative aspect, developing knowledge on air cargo management, front office management, travel and tour operations management.

e) Instructional Design

i) Curriculum design

The B.B.A programme proposed at SDE is in concurrence with the syllabus offered at University through regular mode. Also, the programme has been approved by the statutory bodies of the University. Further, the University is revising the curriculum and syllabi of its B.B.A programme once in every three years to ensure that the content is updated to reflect current academic knowledge and practice, and also to ensure that the University used provide the best learning experiences possible for students. Academic staff and experts in the area of Management propose changes in the curriculum and syllabi at the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop generally convened at least six months before the due date of curriculum and syllabus revision. Major changes are then
submitted to the Board of Studies of Management (Pass) of the University for Final Approval. As part of curriculum design, the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop considers curriculum analysis of social needs, translating the needs into course, splitting the objectives into specific objectives, grouping the specific objectives into subjects, deriving the subjects from the classification, specifying enabling objectives, utilizing each subject matter, specification of required time and syllabus formulation.

ii) Programme details (syllabus)

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**ELECTIVE COURSE**

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**iii) Duration of the Programme**

Six Semesters, three years; offered in the month of July.

**iv) Faculty and support staff requirement**
There is one full time faculty member for BBA programme at school of Distance education of the University. There are sufficient number of administrative staff in the SDE in the rank of Deputy Registrar (One), Assistant Registrars (Three), Section Officers (Six), Assistants (18), Computer operators (Four) and Class Four staff (12) for the administrative support. The service of qualified guest teachers approved by the University is used in the preparation of SLM, personal contact programmes (PCP) and conducting evaluation of answer scripts.

v) Instructional delivery mechanism

In addition to provide SLMs prepared in line with the UGC guidelines on preparation of SLMs, students are being offered 15 contact hours per subject in each semester, conducted within four months. The personal contact programmes are being taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources such as books, notes, videos etc.

vi) Student support service systems at SDE

(a) Information Centre, (b) Library with good collection of books and journals (c) Wi-Fi connectivity, (d) Counselling, (e) Students feedback, (f) Placement cell, (g) Students Grievance Redressal Cell, (g) Alumni Association, (i) Women’s Cell, (j) Research Cell, (k) Post Office, (l) Snack bar and Refreshment Centre, (m) Restrooms, (n) Reprographic centre, (o) Drinking water etc.

f) Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation

i) Admission: The admission notifications for B.B.A programme, among others are being issued in leading national and regional dailies during June-July. The detailed information regarding admission is being given on the SDE website (www.ideku.net) and on the admission website (www.de.keralauniversity.ac.in). Students seeking admission shall apply online.

ii) Minimum eligibility for admission

Any candidate who has passed the Plus Two of the Higher Secondary Board of Kerala or that of any other university or Board of Examinations in any state recognized as equivalent to the Plus Two of the Higher Secondary Board in Kerala, with not less than 45 % marks in aggregate is eligible for admission. However SC/ST, OBC, and other eligible communities shall be given relaxation as per University rules

iii) Fee structure

The fee for the course is Rs.23,375/- for three years. Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.
iv) Financial assistance

Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed from SC/ST department as per the rules lay down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

v) Programme delivery

The programme is being delivered with the help of SLM and Personal Contact programmes. The SLM is being dispatched to the students during each semester by hand or by post. And, at the end of each semester assignments are given and the marks are included in the ESE. The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.

vi) Academic calendar

| ADMISSION |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Admission Notification | First week of June |
| Closing date of Admission | Last week of September |

| Schedule of distribution of study materials |
|-----------------|-----------------|
| Course | Date | By Post |
| III, IV, V and VI Semester | Last week of June | Last week of July |
| I & II Semester | Last week of October | Last week of November |

| Schedule of contact classes |
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| Course | Schedule |
| III, IV, V and VI Semester | First week of July |
| I & II Semester | First week of November |

| Schedule of examinations |
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| Course | Schedule |
| V and VI Semester | First week of April |
| III and IV Semester | Second and Third week of April |
| I and II Semester | Fourth week of April |

vii) Evaluation

The evaluation of the programme will consist of two parts: a) Continuous Evaluation (CE) b) End Semester Evaluation (ESE) The CE and ESE ratio shall be 1:4 i.e. a maximum of 20 marks for CE and a maximum of 80 marks for ESE. There will be 40% separate minimum required for CE and ESE and for the minimum pass requirement of the course the candidate have to secure aggregate
40% marks. Minimum marks required for passing a programme will also be 40%.

g) Project/Dissertation Work

For each First Degree Programme there shall be a Project/Dissertation Work during the sixth semester on a topic related to any issues in commerce/Business/Industry/vocational course. The Project/Dissertation work can be done either individually or by a group not exceeding five students under the supervision and guidance of the teachers of the Department. The topics shall either be allotted by the supervising teacher or be selected by the students in consultation with the supervising teacher.

Evaluation of Project

* A Board of two examiners appointed by the University shall evaluate the report.
* There shall be no Continuous Evaluation for the Project work.
* Evaluation of project should involve submission of report with a project based viva-voce.
* A Viva voce based on the project report shall be conducted individually by the Board of Examiners.

h) Requirement of the laboratory support and library resources

Computer Lab is not mandatory for B.B.A. The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. There is a separate section in the library for Commerce and Management discipline with more than 4000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in-house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student’s ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

i) Cost Estimate of the Programme and the Provisions (Base 2019-20)

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Cost per student/year = Rs. 4134

**j) Quality assurance mechanism and expected programme outcomes**

Quality in monitored through a continuous assessment system. The program is divided into courses and each course with an end semester examination for 80% of weightage. The remaining 20% is assigned for assignment and seminars and discussions (10% for assignment and 10% for seminar and discussions).

Assignment topics are based on topics of contemporary relevance and cases drawn from real life situations in the Industry.

The distance learning program would be monitored continuously by fulltime faculty in management available under school of distance education. The faculty members will continuously interact with students on strengthening the learning process. Each student will work on a project which would be guided by the faculty of management under school of distance education.

**Note:** The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
1. Program’s Mission and Objectives

Mission
In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education to all, the program BSc Mathematics aims at imparting knowledge in Mathematics and skills in using it in the graduate level with the following points.
Dedicated to increasing the understanding of mathematics through enhancing education and for a more informed society.
To impart the principles and practices of mathematics, so that the students are encouraged to promote their expertise. They will be prepared to pursue degrees and to apply their mathematical skills to careers in industry.

Objectives

- To provide our majors with sufficient understanding and experience of mathematics to pursue their careers or graduate study of mathematics.
- To provide students in other programs using mathematics with robust mathematical tools they can use immediately, together with an understanding sufficient to grasp future quantitative developments in their fields.
- To enable students in other majors to gain a greater level of quantitative literacy as part of a foundation for lifelong learning and critical thinking, so that they can more fully participate in the deliberations of an advanced technological society.

2. Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals

Offered in the distance mode, BSc Mathematics will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focused, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

BSc Mathematics in the distance mode will be a feeder program for the MSc Mathematics programs offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the program offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

3. Nature of prospective target group of learners:

BSc Mathematics has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges. This program will join the attempt to democratising higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of
learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry.

Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programs to lead the fresh learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the program and the final evaluation.

4. Appropriateness of program to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence:

- The BSc Mathematics program will see to ensure knowledge, skills and competences in the learners. The specific learning outcomes of the program are given below:
  - Comprehensive knowledge in mathematical theory at an advanced level.
  - Ability to use theoretical and empirical methods to analyse mathematical problems.
  - Exposure to various quantitative techniques which are essential to analyse mathematical problems.
  - Analyze existing mathematical models and evaluate their relevance for practical problem solving.
  - Planning and carrying out applied work and research projects in Mathematics.
  - Critical thinking capacity.
  - Ability for hypothesizing and problem solving.
  - Capability in using computer software for the purpose of research work in Mathematics.

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06 Duration of the program
Six semesters, three years.

07 Faculty and support staff requirement
There are two full time faculty members available and one of them can coordinate the B.Sc Program in Mathematics. There is sufficient staff support from the SDE for processing administrative work. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the Vice Chancellor are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

8. Instructional delivery mechanisms
In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 60 contact hours each semester, conducted over 10 days during the weekend. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources. A collection of audio/video lectures are being prepared, which will be made available to the learners on an experimental basis from this academic year onwards.

10. Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation:
Applications for admissions are received online. Eligibility for admission to BSc Mathematics is a pass in Higher Secondary Examination with Mathematics as one of the subjects of the State or an Examination accepted by the University as equivalent thereto.

11. Fee structure : Rs. 15445/- for entire programme.

12. Academic Calendar

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III and IV Semester  |  Second and Third week of April
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13. Financial Assistance
Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed from SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

14. Curriculum transaction and evaluation
Curriculum is transacted in the Distance Mode with the help of Self Learning Material and Personal Contact Classes. The uses of web-based tools are not in place yet, but steps are being initiated. Evaluation is continuous and end semester. Continuous Evaluation requires the submission of one assignment and one Test Paper for the course carrying 20 marks per paper. End Semester Examinations are conducted by the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala. The written exams carry 80 marks per paper.

15. Requirement of the laboratory support and Library Resources:
Laboratory hours are mandatory for B.Sc Mathematics. For computer papers, students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 23,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in-house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 500/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs.400/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

16. Cost estimate of the program and the provisions: (Base 2019-20)

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17. Expected Programme Outcomes

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

- Apply fundamental principles and methods of Mathematics to a wide range of applications.
- To develop the ability to analyze mathematical problems.
- To formulate the critical problems in daily life to mathematical model.
- To motivate research activities in various field in Mathematics, statistics, population and applied mathematics.
- To prepare for other eligible job areas in state and central govt.

**Note:** The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
(a) Programme’s Mission and Objectives

Mission

In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education to all, the programme B.Sc. Computer Science aims at imparting thorough grounding to the students in the theoretical and practical aspects of the computer science discipline and to groom them to good computer professionals in the undergraduate level.

Objectives

i. To provide students with the knowledge in the fields of information technology and management it develops students with a requisite professional skills and problem solving abilities for pursuing a career in software industry.

ii. To be a foundation graduate programme this will act as a feeder course for higher studies in the area of Computer Science/Applications.

iii. To prepare students with the necessary skills to enter in technological fields such as system programming, technical support etc.

(b) Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals:

Offered in the distance mode, B.Sc. Computer Science will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focussed, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

B.Sc. Computer Science in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for the M.Sc Computer Science/MCA programmes offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

(c) Nature of prospective target group of learners

B.Sc. Computer Science programme has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges. The objective of School of Distance Education is to provide education facilities to all qualified and willing persons who are unable to join regular colleges due to various reasons. This will join the attempt to democratising higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry.

Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the fresh learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.
(d) Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence:

B.Sc. Computer Science programme will ensure the following skills and competences in the learners.

1. Programming - The ability to design and write computer programs by using different programming languages and in different platforms.


3. Web Design - Able to design and create web pages and creation of websites.

4. Database Management - Able to create and manage databases.

5. Analytical and Logical skills - Ability to identify a problem and coming up with a most suitable technological solution to address it.

6. Problem solving skills - Ability to solve complex problems in a systematic and logical way.

(e) Instructional Design:

Instructional Design:

**SCHEME AND DISTRIBUTION OF MARKS**

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Fee structure: **Rs.17075/- for entire programme.**

**Financial Assistance**

Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed from SC/ST department as per the rules laid done by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund(KUF).

**Programme Delivery**

The programme is being delivered with the help of SLM and Personal Contact Programmes. The SLM is being dispatched to the students during each semester by hand or by post. The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated. Evaluation is continuous and end semester. Continuous Evaluation requires the submission of one assignment and one Test Paper for each course carrying 10 marks each.

End Semester Examinations are conducted by the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala. The written exams carry 80 marks per paper. There is one mini project in the 4th semester and a major project in the 6th semester, each carries 100 marks.

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Laboratory hours are mandatory for B.Sc. Computer Science programme. Students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 23,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in-house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 500/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 400/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.
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(i) Quality assurance mechanism and expected programme outcomes:

Quality Assurance Mechanism

The SDE, University of Kerala has devised the following mechanism for monitoring the effectiveness of the B.Sc. Computer Science programme to enhance its standards of curriculum and instructional design.

(a) Established a Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) at the University level to develop and put in place a comprehensive and dynamic internal quality assurance system to enhance the quality of the programmes offered through distance mode as per the norms and guidelines of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.

(b) The CIQA is periodically conducting institutional quality audits, to promote quality assurance and enhance as well as spread best- in-class practices of quality assurance. The CIQA conducts the quality audit by addressing the following seven broad areas, namely:

   i. Governance, leadership and management
   ii. Articulation of higher educational institutions objectives
   iii. Programme development and approval processes
   iv. Infrastructure resources
   v. Learning environment and learner support
   vi. Assessment & evaluation of learning outcomes
   vii. Teaching quality and staff development

(c) The SDE has an approved panel of experts for preparing SLM. The SLM prepared is being edited by the course coordinator. The CIQA also oversees the development and preparation of SLMs. Then submit the SLMs to the Board of Studies concerned for the approval. The SLMs are developed with the approach of self explanatory, self-contained, self-directed, self-motivating and self-evaluating.

(d) The SDE of the University has three full time faculty members exclusively for coordinating the programme and also has a panel of qualified guest teachers for counselling students and engaging in personal contact programmes.
Expected Programme Outcomes:

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

- Apply fundamental principles and methods of Computer Science to a wide range of applications.
- Design, correctly implement and document solutions to significant computational problems.
- Analyze and compare alternative solutions to computing problems.
- Design and implement software systems that meet specified design and performance requirements.
- Work effectively in teams to design and implement solutions to computational problems.
- Communicate effectively, both orally and in writing.
- Think critically and creatively, both independently and with others.
- Recognize the social and ethical responsibilities of a professional working in the discipline.
- Adapt to new developments in the field of computer science.

Note: The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
School of Distance Education

Bachelor of Computer Applications (BCA)

PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT

(a) Programme’s Mission & Objectives

Mission

Mission of distance education is to provide affordable, accessible, effective learning opportunities for those students who because of time, geographic or other constraints could not attend traditional on-site regular classes. Keeping that in view, School Of Distance Education offers BCA degree to prepare the learners for manpower requirement of the fast developing IT/Software Industry.

Objectives

i. To expertise students in the fields of information technology and management, computer programming, internet operations, computer applications, business communication, logic design, data structure, systems analysis, computer architecture, data base management etc.

ii. To prepare students with the necessary skills to build successful careers in the information sector.

(b) Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals:

Offered in the distance mode, BCA will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focussed, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

BCA in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for the MCA programmes offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

(c) Nature of prospective target group of learners:

A BCA programme has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges. This will join the attempt to democratising higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry.

Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the fresh learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.

(d) Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence
After getting a BCA degree, one can enter any of the following roles:

1. Joining IT firms, software and web developments

BCA has endless scopes in software. Those who have skills and knowledge in programming and languages like HTML, CSS, MySQL etc can choose an IT industry with web development background. Software development requires good skill and knowledge of the programming languages like .Net, C++, Java etc.

2. System Analyst

A system analyst is an information technology professional who specializes in analyzing, designing and implementing information systems. System analysts assess the suitability of information systems in terms of their intended outcomes.

3. Network Manager

A network manager manages and maintains the network, as well as network performance monitoring, identifying, installing and maintaining upgrades to the network.

4. Digital Marketing

BCA can also make a career in digital marketing. This field is emerging day by day.

(e) Instructional Design:

**SCHEME AND SYLLABUS AND DISTRIBUTION OF MARKS**

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| I & II Semester                 | First week of November   |

| Schedule of examinations        |
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| III and IV Semester             | Second and Third week of April |
| I and II Semester               | Fourth week of April     |

Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

**j) Fee structure:** Rs 18390/- for entire programme

Curriculum is transacted in the Distance Mode with the help of Self Learning Material and Personal Contact Classes.

The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated. Evaluation is continuous and end semester.

Continuous Evaluation requires the submission of one assignment and one Test Paper for each course carrying 20 marks each.

End Semester Examinations are conducted by the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala. The written exams carry 80 marks per paper.

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(m) Quality assurance mechanism and expected programme outcomes

The University Board of Studies for Computer Science programmes approves and reviews the syllabus, course content, and the Self Learning Material of BCA offered in the distance mode also. The overall ensuring of quality will be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, School of Distance Education.

(n) Expected Outcomes

After acquiring this course the students will be able to:

- Develop programming skills that can lead them to jobs like software developer, software test engineer etc.
- Quite knowledgeable in various computer applications and the latest developments in IT and communication systems.
- Develop skills in software development so as to enable the BCA graduates to take up self employment in Indian and global markets.
- Recognize the need for professional development.
- Develop sensitivity and awareness which leads to commitment and courage.
- Develop critical ability to distinguish between essence and form.
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UNIVERSITY OF KERALA  
School of Distance Education  
Bachelor of Library and Information Science (BLISc)  
PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT  

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3. Details of the Proposed B.L.I.Sc Programme

Programme’s Mission & Objectives

(a) Mission

In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education too all, the programme Bachelor of Library and Information Science (B.L.I.Sc) provides a meaningful educational experience that meets current and emerging library, information and technology needs, and prepares students for productive roles in a variety of continually evolving information environments, or to continue their education.

(b) Objectives

The objectives of the Bachelor of Library and Information Science (B.L.I.Sc) are:

I. To give the students an understanding of the basic principles and fundamental laws of library and information science.

II. To enable the students to understand and appreciate the place and functions of different types of libraries in the changing social and educational setup; and

III. To give training to the students in the techniques and routines of modern library management.

Relevance of the Program with HEI’s Mission and Goals

Offered in the distance mode, Bachelor of Library and Information Science (B.L.I.Sc) will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focused, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

B.L.I.Sc in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for the M.L.I.Sc programmes offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

Nature of Prospective Target Group of Learners

BLISc programme has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges and university departments.

• Graduate pass outs who are seeking a career at library profession.

• Those who like to be a library professional.
• Diploma holders who seek graduation in library and information science.

Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.

**Appropriateness of Programme to be Conducted in Open and Distance Learning Mode to Acquire Specific Skills and Competence**

The B.L.I.Sc programme will see to ensure the following skills and competences in the learners.

1. Understanding Library: Knowledge of the philosophy and techniques of library service
2. IT Skills: The ability to use computer applications.
3. Software Skills: The ability to familiar with library automation softwares. And also understand various digital library softwares.
4. Library Management: The ability to manage all the activities of libraries.
5. Ability to prepare comprehensive reports and present ideas clearly and concisely in written and oral form

**Instructional Design**

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**Procedure for Admissions, Curriculum Transaction and Evaluation**

Applications for admissions are received online. Eligibility for admission to B.L.I.Sc is a pass in degree of any other university recognised as equivalent thereto.
The curriculum is transacted in distance mode with the help of SLMs and contact classes. Evaluation is continuous and end semester. Continuous assessment is set apart for 25 marks for each paper. These 25 marks are apportioned as 5 marks for attendance, 10 marks for test papers and assignments’ and 10 marks for seminar presentation. The terminal examination in each paper is of three hours duration and carries 75 marks.

**Fee structure:** Rs. 6250/- for entire programme. Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

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Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed form SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

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## Expected Programme Outcome

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

- Develop the capacity to maintain a full-fledged library.
- Motivate the awareness of library
- Eligible for higher studies in library science
- Process information by effective use of IT tools
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3. Details of the Proposed MA English Programme

(a) Programme’s mission & objectives

Mission & Objectives

In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education to all, the programme MA English Language and Literature aims at imparting knowledge in English Language and literature, and skills in using English language in the post graduate level.

i. To help learners form a substantial foundation on literary forms, the history of English language, literature and literary works including samples of Indian literature.

ii. To impart skills to critically evaluate and appreciate literary works, to extend this ability to other cultural and artistic forms.

iii. To impart and fine tune English language skills essential for employability and for vertical professional mobility.

(b) Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals:

Offered in the distance mode, MA English will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focused, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

MA English follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

(c) Nature of prospective target group of learners

MA programme in English Language and literature has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges. This will join the attempt to democratising higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry.

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(d) Appropriateness of the programme to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence:

The MA English programme will see to ensure the following skills and competences in the learners.

1. Reading skills: read texts with careful attention and appreciate them recognize key ideas in texts and rhetorical strategies used to develop them respond to aesthetic, rhetorical, and cultural qualities in texts.

2. Writing skills: write clearly and fluently in multiple genres, organize coherently and logically, edit writing so that it conforms to standard usage, develop convincing, well-supported essays.

3. Understanding Literature: understand the relationship of literature to history and culture, understand the history of literature in English in terms of major periods and authors, recognize and define major genres of literature, and recognize and define formal features in literature.

4. Understanding English Language: learn the history and evolution of English language, understand English Grammar and phonology, and understand further the structure of English, understand the various forms of English and its use in different circumstances like spoken English, official English, scientific English, computing English etc.

5. Understanding Theory and Criticism: understand and implement several literary and rhetorical theories, relate the study of discourse in English to English language and comparison of eastern and western theories, understand the general nature, purpose, and methods of English studies.

6. Doing Research: understand and use basic research tools, develop questions and topics worth researching, incorporate research into writing.

(e) Instructional Design

The MA English programme proposed here is also offered by the University through regular mode. Also, the programme has been approved by the statutory bodies of the University. Further, the University is revising the curriculum and syllabi of its MA English programme once in every three years to ensure that the content is updated to reflect current academic knowledge and practice, and also to ensure that the University provides the best learning experiences possible for students. Academic staff and experts in the area of English propose changes in the curriculum and syllabi at the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop generally convened at least six months before the due date of curriculum and syllabus revision. Major changes are then submitted to the Board of Studies of English (Pass) of the University for Final Approval. As part of curriculum design, the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop considers curriculum analysis of social needs, translating the needs into course, splitting the objectives into specific objectives, grouping the specific objectives into subjects, deriving the subjects from the classification, specifying enabling objectives, unitising each subject matter, specification of required time and syllabus formulation.
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### (g) Duration of the programme

Four Semesters, two years.

### (h) Faculty and support staff requirement

There are two full time faculty members available and one of them coordinates the MA Programme in English. There are sufficient number of administrative staff in the SDE in the rank of Deputy Registrar (One), Assistant Registrars (Three), Section Officers (Six), Assistants (18), Computer operators (Four) and Class Four staff (12) for the administrative support. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the University are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

### (i) Instructional delivery mechanisms

In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 60 contact hours each semester, conducted over 10 days during the weekend. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources. A repertoire of audio/video lectures are being prepared, which will be made available to the learners on an experimental basis...
from this academic year onwards.

(j) **Student Support Service Systems at SDE**

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Eligibility for admission to MA English, as per university norms is graduation in English (with not less than 4.5 CCPA(S) for graduates who have passed qualifying examination in CBCS pattern - 2013 admissions / with not less than 1.8 CGPA(S) for graduates who have passed qualifying examination in CBCS pattern prior to 2013 admissions / with not less than 45% marks in part III optional subjects for graduates who have passed qualifying examination in Annual scheme / other pattern) or graduation in any subject with Part I English for at least 300 marks.

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The evaluation of the programme will consist of two parts: a) Continuous Assessment (CA)  
b) End Semester Evaluation (ESE) The CA and ESE ratio shall be 1:4 i.e. a maximum of 25 marks for CA and a maximum of 75 marks for ESE. There will be no separate minimum for CA and ESE. However, the minimum pass requirement of a course will be 40%. Minimum marks required for passing a programme will also be 40%.

The classification of results of the programme shall be done at the end of the 4th semester based on the total marks secured for all semesters and shall be as follows.

Candidates securing not less than 40% but below 50% - Third Class Candidates securing not less than 50% but below 60% - Second Class Candidates securing 60% and above - First Class

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Evaluation is continuous and end semester. Continuous Evaluation requires the submission of one assignment for 15 marks and one Test Paper/practicum/ Case analysis for 10 marks for each course carrying a total of 25 marks. End Semester Examinations are conducted by the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala. The written exams carry 75 marks per paper.

**Scheme of Evaluation Continuous Assessment (CA) Total marks: 25**

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5. Quality Assurance Mechanism and Expected Programme Outcomes

5.1 Quality Assurance Mechanism

The University Board of Studies for FDP English programmes approves and reviews the syllabus, course content, and the Self Learning Material of MA English offered in the distance mode also.

The overall ensuring of quality will be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, School of Distance Education.

The SDE, University of Kerala has devised the following mechanism for monitoring the effectiveness of the MA English programme to enhance its standards of curriculum, instructional design etc.

(a) Established a Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) at the University level to develop and put in place a comprehensive and dynamic internal quality assurance system to enhance the quality of the programmes offered through distance mode as per the norms and guidelines of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.

(b) The CIQA is periodically conducting institutional quality audits, to promote quality assurance and enhance as well as spread best-in-class practices of quality assurance. The CIQA conducts the quality audit by addressing the following seven broad areas, namely:

i. Governance, leadership and management
ii. Articulation of higher educational institutions objectives
iii. Programme development and approval processes
iv. Infrastructure resources
v. Learning environment and learner support
vi. Assessment & evaluation of learning outcomes
vii. Teaching quality and staff development

(c) The SDE has an approved panel of experts for preparing SLM. The SLM prepared is being edited by the course coordinator. The CIQA also oversees the development and preparation of SLMs. Then submit the SLMs to the Board of Studies concerned for the approval. The SLMs are developed with the approach of being self-explanatory, self-contained, self-directed, self-motivating and self-evaluating.

(d) The SDE of the University has two full time faculty members exclusively for coordinating
the programme and also has a panel of qualified guest teachers for counselling students and engaging in personal contact programmes in the Head Quarters at Thiruvananthapuram and study centres at Kollam.

5.2 Expected Programme Outcomes

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

- Develop an ability to effectively communicate both orally and verbally in English
- Develop self confidence and skills for working independently and in a team
- Have a foundation on literary theories, movements and history of English literature
- Develop the ability to critically look at concepts, beliefs and ideas in society, while also learning to critically analyse texts and cultural artifacts.
- Have an increased awareness of the general issues prevailing in the society.

**Note:** The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
School of Distance Education

Master of Arts (Malayalam)
PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT

1. University of Kerala
The University of Kerala is a State university located in Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city Kerala. University of Kerala is the first University in the State, originally established as the University of Travancore in 1937 and is the 16th oldest University of the country. The present territorial jurisdiction of the University extends to the revenue districts of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alapuzha and Pathanamthitta. The University of Kerala is offering courses in regular as well as distance mode. In regular mode the University offers wide range of programmes at the undergraduate, post graduate, MPhil, doctoral levels, post graduate diploma, diploma and certificate levels. In distance mode the University offers 13 UG and 13 PG programmes. The University of Kerala has undergone immense transformation on various fronts during the last 80 years. The University has been recognized by the UGC as per UGC Act, 1956 under Section 2 (f) and 12 (b) and has been reaccredited by NAAC with A grade in 2015. University also bagged the First Chancellor’s Award for the Best University in Kerala in 2015. There are at present 223 affiliated colleges and 82 research centres under the University and have 42 teaching and research departments (under 11 schools), 10 teacher education centres, 7 UIMs and 17 UITs. There are at present 149 faculty members of which 30 are Professors, 35 Associate Professors and 84 Assistant Professors under its 42 teaching and research departments. In addition, there are 54 guest faculty members and 10 visiting faculty members working in the departments. Among the teaching faculty members 160 are PhD degree holders. 1492 administrative staff and 30 technical staff are also working in the University.

2. The School of Distance Education
The School of Distance Education (SDE), started in 1976 as a teaching and research department of the University of Kerala, is one of the pioneering centres of distance learning in the State. The aims and objectives of the school include:

- Democratizing higher education to large segments of the population, in particular the disadvantaged groups like those living in remote and rural areas, working people, and women.
- Providing an innovative system of university-level education which is both flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrollment and age of entry.
- Providing an opportunity for up-gradation of skills and qualifications.
- Developing education as a lifelong activity to enable persons to update their knowledge or acquire knowledge in new areas.

University of Kerala is one of the Universities in India having appointed permanent full time teaching faculty members for running the distance education programmes. The SDE has 19 permanent faculty members and 8 full time contract faculty members with diverse academic backgrounds and rich experience in the rank of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors. The school had recognition of the erstwhile Distance Education
Council (DEC) for 45 programmes till 2014-15. In line with the efforts of the UGC to streamline the distance learning mode, the SDE also redefined its programmes and got the UGC recognition to offer 13 UG and 13 PG programmes from the academic year 2017-18 onwards. The SDE has no private off campus/learner support centres.

3. Details of the Proposed MAMalayalam Programme

3.1 Programme’s Mission & Objectives

In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education to all, the programme MA Malayalam Language and Literature aims at imparting knowledge in Malayalam Language, literature, culture and skills in using Malayalam language in the post graduate level as the official language of Kerala.

i. To help learners form a substantial foundation on literary forms, the history of Malayalam language, literature, culture and literary works including samples of world literature.

ii. To impart skills to critically evaluate and appreciate literary works, to extend this ability to other cultural and artistic forms.

iii. To impart and fine tune Malayalam language skills essential for employability and for vertical professional mobility.

3.2 Relevance of the Programme with HEI’s Mission and Goals

Offered in the distance mode, MAMalayalam will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focused, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

MA Malayalam in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for the BA Malayalam programmes offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

3.3 Nature of Prospective Target Group of Learners

MA programme in Malayalam Language and literature has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges. This will join the attempt to democratising higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry.

Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the fresh learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.

3.4 Appropriateness of Programme to Be Conducted In Open and Distance Learning Mode to Acquire Specific Skills and Competence

The MA Malayalam programme will see to ensure the following skills and competences in the learners.

1. Reading skills: Read texts with careful attention and appreciate them recognize key ideas in texts and rhetorical strategies used to develop them respond to aesthetic, rhetorical, and cultural qualities in texts

2. Writing skills: Write clearly and fluently in multiple genres, organize coherently and
logically, edit writing so that it confirms to standard usage, develop convincing, well-supported essays,

3. Understanding Literature: Understand the relationship of literature to history and culture, understand the history of literature in Malayalam in terms of major periods and authors, recognize and define major genres of literature, and recognize and define formal features in literature.

4. Understanding Malayalam Language: Learn the history and evolution of Malayalam language, understand Malayalam Grammar and phonology, and understand further the structure of Malayalam, understand the various forms of Malayalam and its use in different circumstances like spoken Malayalam, official Malayalam, scientific Malayalam, computing Malayalam etc.

5. Understanding Theory and Criticism: understand and implement several literary and rhetorical theories, relate the study of discourse in Malayalam to Malayalam language and comparison of eastern and western theories, understand the general nature, purpose, and methods of Malayalam studies.

6. Doing Research: understand and use basic research tools, develop questions and topics worth researching, incorporate research into writing.

3.5 Instructional Design

The MA Malayalam programme proposed here is also offered by the University through regular mode. Also, the programme has been approved by the statutory bodies of the University. Further, the University is revising the curriculum and syllabi of its MA Malayalam programme once in every three years to ensure that the content is updated to reflect current academic knowledge and practice, and also to ensure that the University used provide the best learning experiences possible for students. Academic staff and experts in the area of Malayalam propose changes in the curriculum and syllabi at the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop generally convened at least six months before the due date of curriculum and syllabus revision. Major changes are then submitted to the Board of Studies of Malayalam (Pass) of the University for Final Approval. As part of curriculum design, the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop considers curriculum analysis of social needs, translating the needs into course, splitting the objectives into specific objectives, grouping the specific objectives into subjects, deriving the subjects from the classification, specifying enabling objectives, unitising each subject matter, specification of required time and syllabus formulation.

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3.5.2 Duration of the Programme
Four Semesters, two years.

3.5.3 Faculty and Support Staff Requirement
There are three full time faculty members available and one of them coordinates the MA Programme in Malayalam. There are sufficient number of administrative staff in the SDE in the rank of Deputy Registrar (One), Assistant Registrars (Three), Section Officers (Six), Assistants (18), Computer operators (Four) and Class Four staff (12) for the administrative support. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the University are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

3.5.4 Instructional Delivery Mechanisms
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Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

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- Develop an ability to effectively communicate both orally and verbally in Malayalam
- Develop self confidence and skills for working independently and in a team
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School of Distance Education  
Master of Arts (Hindi)  
PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT

1. University of Kerala

The University of Kerala is a State university located in Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city of Kerala. University of Kerala is the first University in the State, originally established as the University of Travancore in 1937 and is the 16th oldest University of the country. The present territorial jurisdiction of the University extends to the revenue districts of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alapuzha and Pathanamthitta. The University of Kerala is offering courses in regular as well as distance mode. In regular mode the University offers wide range of programmes at the undergraduate, post graduate, MPhil, doctoral levels, post graduate diploma, diploma and certificate levels. In distance mode the University offers 13 UG and 13 PG programmes. The University of Kerala has undergone immense transformation on various fronts during the last 80 years. The University has been recognized by the UGC as per UGC Act, 1956 under Section 2 (f) and 12 (b) and has been reaccredited by NAAC with A grade in 2015. University also bagged the First Chancellor's Award for the Best University in Kerala in 2015. There are at present 223 affiliated colleges and 82 research centres under the University and have 42 teaching and research departments (under 11 schools), 10 teacher education centres, 7 UIMs and 17 UITs. There are at present 149 faculty members of which 30 are Professors, 35 Associate Professors and 84 Assistant Professors under its 42 teaching and research departments. In addition, there are 54 guest faculty members and 10 visiting faculty members working in the departments. Among the teaching faculty members 160 are PhD degree holders. 1492 administrative staff and 30 technical staff are also working in the University.

2. The School of Distance Education

The School of Distance Education (SDE), started in 1976 as a teaching and research department of the University of Kerala, is one of the pioneering centres of distance learning in the State. The aims and objectives of the school include:

- Democratizing higher education to large segments of the population, in particular the disadvantaged groups like those living in remote and rural areas, working people, and women.

- Providing an innovative system of university-level education which is both flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrollment and age of entry.

- Providing an opportunity for up-gradation of skills and qualifications.

- Developing education as a lifelong activity to enable persons to update their knowledge or acquire knowledge in new areas.

University of Kerala is one of the Universities in India having appointed
permanent full time teaching faculty members for running the distance education programmes. The SDE has 19 permanent faculty members and 8 full time contract faculty members with diverse academic backgrounds and rich experience in the rank of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors. The school had recognition of the erstwhile Distance Education Council (DEC) for 45 programmes till 2014-15. In line with the efforts of the UGC to stream line the distance learning mode, the SDE also redefined its programmes and got the UGC recognition to offer 13 UG and 13 PG programmes from the academic year 2017-18 onwards. The SDE has no private off campus/learner support centres.

3. Details of the Proposed MA Hindi Programme

(a) Programme’s mission & objectives

Mission & Objectives

Hindi is firstly our national language and secondly the official language. Course study is aimed at making the students proficient in the use of Hindi as medium of communication and as official language. The mission of the course is to provide general information about Hindi literature through samples of literary work and to develop an independent out look towards the study of language and communication. The study of Humanities, especially Literature awakens the aesthetic vision of students. This will enhance the feeling of oneness and humanity among the students.

The Kerala society is very generous in accepting the good of others and assimilating its essence. After Independence the role of Hindi in Kerala’s educational field has improved very much. Hindi is included as third language in the curriculum at high school level studies and as an elective language for second language at Plus 2 level. Parallel streams are also at work in the state giving opportunities in the study of Hindi Language and Literature. At graduation level also Hindi is an elective second language. All the colleges in Kerala offer this facility to the undergraduate students who are interested in the study of Hindi Language and Literature.

i. To familiarize the students with various trends in Hindi literature and Understanding the literary trends and works in a different way

ii. Learn Hindi for effective communication in different fields like administration, media and business.

iii. Understanding translation as a linguistic, cultural, economic and professional activity.

iv. Familiarizing the practical grammar and analyzing the problems and challenges of effective communication in Hindi. Also develop technical skills in Applied Hindi.

v. To enable the student to engage with conceptual issues relating to culture and civilization to identity the power of resistance of Indian culture- to instil the values and the rich tradition of India into the minds of the students. Familiarize some of the eminent writers in Hindi literature and thereby inculcate Socio-cultural values.

vi. To impart skills to critically evaluate and appreciate literary works, to extend this ability to other cultural and artistic forms.
(b) Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals:

Offered in the distance mode, MA Hindi will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focused, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

MA Hindi in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for the MA Hindi programmes offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

(c) Nature of prospective target group of learners

MA programme in Hindi Language and literature has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges. This will join the attempt to democratizing higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry.

Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the fresh learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.

(d) Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence:

The MA Hindi programme will see to ensure the following skills and competences in the learners.

1. To make the student a human being in the correct sense of the word.
2. To broaden the outlook of the students and instill in them a sense of confidence and responsibility.
3. To make them ready to face the present day world of ambiguities and contradictions.
4. To make them empathetic and sympathetic towards fellow human beings.
5. To make them understand the society better and ready them to fulfill their duties and responsibilities towards the society.
6. To train them in the field of translation so that they can use the expertise thus gained to enrich Malayalam and Hindi Literature through translation.
7. To channelize their creative writing abilities towards writing in Hindi so as to enable them to contribute towards Indian Literature.
8. To inspire them to use their energy and creative ability for the upliftment of the poor and downtrodden among the society.
9. To make them able to communicate in Hindi fluently so that they can perform their duties better when they are outside Kerala.
10. To train them in the fields of journalism and media writing so that they can choose them as a professional option.
11. To give them training in correspondence and secretarial practice in Hindi so that they
can use the knowledge whenever necessary.

(e) Instructional Design

The MA Hindi programme proposed here is also offered by the University through regular mode. Also, the programme has been approved by the statutory bodies of the University. Further, the University is revising the curriculum and syllabi of its MA Hindi programme once in every three years to ensure that the content is updated to reflect current academic knowledge and practice, and also to ensure that the University used provide the best learning experiences possible for students. Academic staff and experts in the area of Hindi propose changes in the curriculum and syllabi at the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop generally convened at least six months before the due date of curriculum and syllabus revision. Major changes are then submitted to the Board of Studies of Hindi (Pass) of the University for Final Approval. As part of curriculum design, the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop considers curriculum analysis of social needs, translating the needs into course, splitting the objectives into specific objectives, grouping the specific objectives into subjects, deriving the subjects from the classification, specifying enabling objectives, unitizing each subject matter, specification of required time and syllabus formulation.

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Grand Total 1800

(g) Duration of the programme

Four Semesters, two years.

(h) Faculty and support staff requirement

There is three full time faculty members available and one of them can coordinate the MA Programme in Hindi. There is sufficient staff support from the SDE office for processing administrative work. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the Vice Chancellor are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

(i) Instructional delivery mechanisms

In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 90 contact hours each semester, conducted over 15 days during the weekend. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources. A repertoire of audio/video lectures are being prepared, which will be made available to the learners on an experimental basis from this academic year onwards.

(j) Student Support Service Systems at SDE

(a) Information Centre, (b) Library with good collection of books and journals (c) Wi-Fi connectivity, (d) Counselling, (e) Students feedback, (f) Placement cell, (g) Students Grievance Redressal Cell, (g) Alumni Association, (i) Women’s Cell, (j) Research Cell, (k) Post Office, (l) Snack bar and Refreshment Centre, (m) Restrooms, (n) Reprographic centre, (o) Drinking water etc.

(k) Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation

The admission notifications for MA Hindi programme, among others are being issued in leading national and regional dailies during June-July. The detailed information regarding admission is being given on the SDE website (www.ideku.net) and on the admission website (www.de.keralauniversity.ac.in). Students seeking admission shall apply online.

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The fee for the course is Rs.10,305/- (Rupees Ten thousand three hundred and five only). Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

(n) Financial Assistance

Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed form SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

(o) Programme Delivery

The programme is being delivered with the help of SLM and Personal Contact programmes. The SLM is being dispatched to the students during each semester by hand or by post. And, at the end of each semester assignments are given and the marks are included in the ES E. The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.

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(r) Requirement of the laboratory support and Library Resources

Laboratory hour is not mandatory for MA Hindi, but students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in-house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

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Master of Arts (History)
PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT

(a) Programme’s mission & objectives

1. Mission
The University System is a respected higher-learning organization known for its distinctive
strengths in providing superior and relevant distance learning programs to its learners. In keeping
with this vision of the University of Kerala, the M.A History degree course tries to:
(1) Provide quality higher education with emphasis on educating the public by offering
respected, relevant, accessible and affordable, student-focused programs, which prepare
them for service and leadership in a diverse community.
(2) Provide access to educational opportunities to a highly qualified, diverse student
population unable to participate in traditional academic activities; and offer pertinent and
rigorous courses and programs to meet the academic needs of all students.

2. Objectives
1. To provide an effective alternative path to wider opportunities in education especially
   in higher education.
2. To provide an efficient and less expensive education.
3. To provide education facilities to all qualified and willing persons.
4. To provide opportunities of academic pursuits to educated citizens willing to improve
   their standard of knowledge.
5. To provide education facilities to those individuals who look upon education as a life-
   long activity.

(b) Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals
Offered in the distance mode, MA History course will be arranged in such a way that it will
meet the primary objectives of the Open and Distance Learning (ODL) as proposed by various
committees constituted by the HEIs for proposing reforms of improvement.

(c) Nature of prospective target group of learners
The M.A Degree course is distinctive for giving the students a proper perspective on the past. It
gives as much attention to social, economic, political, philosophical and cultural
developments occurred in the past with a view to create awareness on the all-round changes occurred in the past.

M.A History course offers students a wide range of intellectual inputs from broad survey courses that look at particular themes or regions over a long period of time. Throughout the course the students learn to imbibe and analyze complex evidence from a variety of sources, to develop analytical powers and to present findings effectively.

By looking at the history of different cultures, a student of History can build up a better understanding of why certain peoples act the way they do. Looking at the history of the USA or South Africa we can see why race tensions continued on past. In reading the history of India we can see why the Caste system still remains in the subcontinent. By studying at the various tributaries of humanity, e can able to imbibe a broad cultural awareness.

(d) Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence:

This course is designed to develop a number of important skills in the student’s community. Among these are:

- Acquiring a broad range of historical knowledge and understanding, including a sense of development over time, and an appreciation of the culture and attitudes of societies other than our own;
- Evaluating critically the significance and utility of a large body of material, including evidence from contemporary sources and the opinions of more recent historians;
- Engaging directly with questions and presenting independent opinions about them in arguments that are well-written, clearly expressed, coherently organized and effectively supported by relevant evidence;
- Gaining the confidence to undertake self-directed learning, making the most effective use of time and resources, and increasingly defining one's own questions and goals.

These are valuable skills in themselves. They are also highly sought after by employers. Well-qualified History students have no difficulty in getting good jobs in a very wide range of occupations - in public administration, in journalism and broadcasting, in teaching at a number of levels, or in research-based careers of various kinds. History is not as obviously vocational as some courses, but it combines an excellent training in vital skills with a high degree of interest and enjoyment.
(e) **Instructional Design:**

**Scheme and Syllabus & Distribution of Marks**

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**Duration of the programme**

The programme consists of 4 Semesters spreading to two years.

**Faculty and support staff requirement**

There are two full time faculty members available and one of them coordinates the MA
Programme in History. There is sufficient staff support from the SDE office for processing administrative work. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the Vice Chancellor are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

**Instructional delivery mechanisms**

In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 90 contact hours each semester, conducted over 15 days during the weekend. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use authentic web resources. In the instructional delivery mechanism efforts were made to establish a positive classroom environment to make the classroom a pleasant, friendly place; accept individual differences, begin lessons by giving clear instructions, maintain student attention and providing suitable seatwork.

**Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation:** Applications for admissions are received online. Eligibility for admission to MA History is a BA Degree Arts subjects Examination of the State or an Examination accepted by the University as equivalent thereto.

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**Fee structure**

The fee for the course is Rs.10,305/- (Rupees Ten thousand three hundred and five only) . Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.
Curriculum is transacted in the Distance Mode with the help of Self Learning Material and Personal Contact Classes.

The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated. Evaluation is continuous and end semester.

Continuous Evaluation requires the submission of one assignment and one Test Paper for each course carrying 25 marks each.

End Semester Examinations are conducted by the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala. The written exams carry 75 marks per paper.

Financial assistance

Concession for tuition will be given to SC/ ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed from SC/ ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

(f) Requirement of the laboratory support and Library Resources:

A laboratory hour is not mandatory for M.A History, but students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in- house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non-members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

(g) Cost estimate of the programme and the provisions (Base 2019-20):

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**(h) Quality assurance mechanism and expected programme outcomes**

The University Board of Studies for FDP History programmes approves and reviews the syllabus, course content, and the Self Learning Material of MA History offered in the distance mode also. The overall ensuring of quality will be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, School of Distance Education.

**Expected outcomes**

- The students will gain thorough understanding about the history of the society.
- They will develop a foresee about the society and its process.

**Note:** The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
School of Distance Education

Master of Arts (Political Science)
PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT

(a) Programme’s Mission & Objectives

Mission Statement

The primary mission of the MA Political Science programme is to provide specialized education in the field of Political Science. Generally we train our students to become successful scholars and teachers. The students can develop technical skills of a scholar by completing the research methodology course which enables their entry into the doctoral programs in Political Science. In addition the Political Science students can search their career options in interest groups, non-profit organizations, policy think tanks and for positions in local, state, and central legislative and bureaucratic offices.

Objectives

- To educate students with the diverse theories, models, approaches and intellectual traditions in Political Science which are the prerequisites for both scholars and teachers in the discipline.
- To train students with the appropriate research skills necessary to their professional growth as an active researcher and also to satisfy their research objectives.
- To develop student’s ability in critical thinking and analysis in scholarly as well as non-scholarly areas and brace them to express it freely.
- To prepare students for their entry into MPhil and PhD programs in Political Science, careers in teaching, civil service and others.

(b) Relevance of the Programme with HEI’s Mission and Goals

The MA Political Science programme offered through distance mode is closely aligned with the vision and mission of the same programme offered through regular mode in University of Kerala. For that it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the regular programme offered through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala. The programme intends to provide quality education at the mater’s level to all students. As a higher education programme it orients the students towards teaching, research and service to the public. Materializing such objectives we offer knowledge based at the same time socially responsible education in Political Science at an affordable cost.

(c) Nature of Prospective Target Group of Learners

The MA Political Science programme has good demand as only two regular colleges and the University Department offer the programme whereas twelve regular colleges offer BA Political Science programme. In addition to this students from other disciplines also seek Master’s degree in Political Science. Unlike students who opt the regular stream of education in Political Science, generally students under distance mode constitute pupils from rural
areas, poor socio-economic background especially belonging to marginalized sections. Permanently/temporarily employed men and women in different age groups also seek the programme for their career advancement. Besides a segment of women who want to pursue higher studies after marriage also come up for the same programme.

(d) Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence

The following skills and competencies can be acquired through distance mode of learning without fail which is generally essential for a master’s degree in Political Science.

- **Teaching skill**: The Programme impart necessary teaching skills among students by educating them with the diverse theories, models, approaches and intellectual traditions in Political Science.

- **Research skill**: The Programme gives training in the appropriate research skills necessary for their entry into MPhil and PhD programs. As part of research training a student can develop his/her ability in critical thinking and analysis.

- **Writing skill**: The programme practices the students in academic writing and equally helps them to improve their presentation skills.

(e) Instructional Design

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Duration of the Programme: 4 Semesters (two years).

Faculty and Support Staff Requirement: There are two full time faculty members available and one of them coordinates the MA Programme in Political Science. There is sufficient administrative staff support from the SDE office for administrative work. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the Vice Chancellor are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

Instructional Delivery Mechanisms: In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 90 contact hours each semester, conducted over 15 days during the weekend. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources. A repertoire of audio/video lectures are being prepared, which will be made available to the learners on an experimental basis from this academic year onwards.

(f) Procedure for Admissions, Curriculum Transaction and Evaluation

Applications for admissions are received online. Eligibility for admission to MA Political Science programme is given below.

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Graduates in Science with 6CCPA(S) out of 10 and Graduates in Engineering with 60% marks/ B.A Journalism and Mass Communication and Video Production (Career related / Restructured) / B.A Communicative English (Vocational) with Public Administration as one of the Core Subjects are also eligible.

Psychology with not less than 1.8 CGPA(S) * out of 4. Graduates in Science with 2.4 CGPA(S) out of 4 and Graduates in Engineering with 60% marks/ B.A Journalism and Mass Communication and Video Production (Career related / Restructured) / B.A Communicative English (Vocational) with Public Administration as one of the Core Subjects are also eligible.

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### Fee Structure:

The fee for the course is Rs.10,305/- (Rupees Ten thousand three hundred and five only). Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.
Financial Assistance

Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed from SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

Curriculum Transaction: Curriculum is transacted in the Distance Mode with the help of Self Learning Material and Personal Contact Classes. The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.

Evaluation: Evaluation of each course shall be done in two parts viz. 1) Continuous Evaluation (CE) 2) End Semester Evaluation (ESE). The distribution of marks shall be 25% for CE and 75% for ESE. Continuous Evaluation for each course requires the submission of one assignment for 15 marks and one Test Paper/Practicum/Case Analysis carrying 10 marks. End Semester Examinations are conducted by the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala.

(g) Requirement of the Laboratory Support and Library Resources

Laboratory hours are not mandatory for MA Political Science, but students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

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(h) Cost Estimate of the Programme and the Provisions

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(i) **Quality Assurance Mechanism**

The University Board of Studies PG Political Science programme approves and reviews the syllabus, course content, and the Self Learning Material of MA Political Science offered in the distance mode also. The overall ensuring of quality will be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, School of Distance Education.

(j) **Expected Programme Outcomes**

Towards the end of the programme students will be able to:

- Reproduce the diverse theories, models, approaches and intellectual traditions in Political Science as scholars and teachers.
- Do research with their acquired research skills as well as their ability in critical thinking and analysis.
- Enter into careers in civil service and others.

**Note:** The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
School of Distance Education

Master of Arts (Economics)
PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT

1. University of Kerala
The University of Kerala is a State university located in Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city of Kerala. University of Kerala is the first University in the State, originally established as the University of Travancore in 1937 and is the 16th oldest University of the country. The present territorial jurisdiction of the University extends to the revenue districts of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alapuzha and Pathanamthitta. The University of Kerala is offering courses in regular as well as distance mode. In regular mode the University offers wide range of programmes at the undergraduate, post graduate, MPhil, doctoral, post graduate diploma, diploma and certificate levels. In distance mode the University offers 13 UG and 13 PG programmes. The University of Kerala has undergone immense transformation on various fronts during the last 80 years. The University has been recognized by the UGC as per UGC Act, 1956 under Section 2 (f) and 12 (b) and has been reaccredited by NAAC with A grade in 2015. University also bagged the First Chancellor’s Award for the Best University in Kerala in 2015. There are at present 223 affiliated colleges and 82 research centres under the University and have 42 teaching and research departments (under 11 schools), 10 teacher education centres, 7 UIMs and 17 UITs. There are at present 149 faculty members of which 30 are Professors, 35 Associate Professors and 84 Assistant Professors under its 42 teaching and research departments. In addition, there are 54 guest faculty members and 10 visiting faculty members working in the departments. Among the teaching faculty members 160 are PhD degree holders. 1492 administrative staff and 30 technical staff are also working in the University.

2. The School of Distance Education
The School of Distance Education (SDE), started in 1976 as a teaching and research department of the University of Kerala, is one of the pioneering centres of distance learning in the State. The aims and objectives of the school include:

- Democratizing higher education to large segments of the population, in particular the disadvantaged groups like those living in remote and rural areas, working people, and women.
- Providing an innovative system of university-level education which is both flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrollment and age of entry.
- Providing an opportunity for up-gradation of skills and qualifications.
- Developing education as a lifelong activity to enable persons to update their knowledge or acquire knowledge in new areas.

University of Kerala is one of the Universities in India having appointed permanent full time teaching faculty members for running the distance education programmes. The SDE has
19 permanent faculty members and 8 full time contract faculty members with diverse academic backgrounds and rich experience in the rank of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors. The school had recognition of the erstwhile Distance Education Council (DEC) for 45 programmes till 2014-15. In line with the efforts of the UGC to streamline the distance learning mode, the SDE also redefined its programmes and got the UGC recognition to offer 13 UG and 13 PG programmes from the academic year 2017-18 onwards. The SDE has no private off campus/learner support centres.

3. Details of the Proposed M.A. Programme

(a) Programme’s mission & objectives:

Mission
In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education to all, the programme MA Economics aims at imparting knowledge, skills and competence in Economics to produce human resources capable of dealing with socio-economic realities and emerging global challenges.

Objectives
1. To provide learners a strong academic foundation in economic theory
2. To enable learners to apply their knowledge to analyse economic issues and policies critically and objectively
3. To expose students to the complexities, dynamics and challenges of global economic scenario.
4. To impart skills essential for employability and vertical professional mobility.

(b) Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals

Offered in the distance mode, MA Economics will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focussed, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education. MA Economics in the distance mode follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala. As a higher education programme it orients the students towards teaching, research and service to the public.

(c) Nature of prospective target group of learners

MA programme in Economics has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges. Therefore MA Economics programme offered through distance mode will help to democratise higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry. We strive to maintain a culture of inclusion so as to provide high quality educational experience to learners irrespective of caste, creed, region or gender in a cost effective way. Our target group includes learners from socially and economically disadvantaged groups (eg. Scheduled castes, scheduled Tribes, Fishermen, Other Backward Communities, Women,
people below poverty line etc). Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.

(d) Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence:

The MA Economics programme will see to ensure the following skills and competence in the learners:

- Comprehensive knowledge in economic theory at an advanced level.
- Comprehension and critical appraisal of the way in which the economy is influenced by policy.
- Exposure to various quantitative techniques which are essential to analyse economic issues.
- Analyse existing economic models and evaluate their relevance for practical problem solving.
- Identifying economic problems to be analysed and understanding how theory and empirical conditions are to be connected.
- Planning and carrying out applied work and research projects in economics.
- Ability for hypothesising and problem solving.

(e) Instructional Design:

### Course Structure and Distribution of Marks

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f. Duration of the programme
4 Semesters, two years.

g. Faculty and support staff requirement
MA Economics is coordinated by a full time regular faculty member. In addition to the coordinator, there is one more full time faculty member on contract basis. There is sufficient number of staff in the School of Distance Education office for the administrative work involved in the smooth conduct of the programme. Moreover the School of Distance Education has a panel of experts and qualified external teachers approved by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of Kerala University. Their services are used in the preparation of Self Learning Material, for engaging contact classes and for evaluation of answer scripts.

h. Instructional delivery mechanisms
In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 90 contact hours each semester, conducted over 15 days. Classes are taken by using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources. A collection of audio/video lectures are being prepared, which will be made available to the learners on an experimental basis from this academic year onwards.

i. Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation:
Applications for admission are received online. Detailed information regarding admission is available in the website of SDE and admission notifications are issued in leading national and regional dailies.

Eligibility for admission to MA Economics, as per university norms is graduation in Economics, Mathematics or Statistics (with not less than 4.5 CCPA(S) for graduates who have passed qualifying examination in CBCS pattern - 2013 admissions / with not less than 1.8 CGPA(S) for graduates who have passed qualifying examination in CBCS pattern prior to 2013 admissions / with not less than 45% marks in part III optional subjects for graduates who have passed qualifying examination in Annual scheme / other pattern)

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**k. Fee structure:** The fee for the course is Rs.10,305/- (Rupees Ten thousand three hundred and five only). Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

**l. Financial Assistance:** Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed form SC/ST department as per the rules lay down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

**m. Curriculum transaction:** Curriculum is transacted in the Distance Mode with the help of Self Learning Material (SLM) and Personal Contact Programme (PCP). In addition to providing SLM, students are offered 90 contact hours each semester, conducted over 15 days. Contact classes are engaged either by faculty members in the School of Distance Education or by teachers from the Panel of external teachers approved by the Vice Chancellor of the University of Kerala. Classes are taken by using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use authentic web resources. The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.

Detailed time schedule of contact classes and dates of spot distribution of SLM will be announced in the Press release by the University (available in the Website / published in all leading regional Newspapers). Besides this, SMS alerts are also given to the students regarding important dates like dates of contact classes, last date of payment of tuition fee, last date for submission of application for examination etc.

**n. Evaluation**

Evaluation is continuous and end semester. Continuous Evaluation requires the submission of one assignment for 15 marks and one Test Paper/practicum/ Case analysis for 10 marks for each course carrying a total of 25 marks. End Semester Examinations are conducted by the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala. The written examinations carry 75 marks per paper.
Scheme of Evaluation
Continuous Evaluation (C E) Total marks: 25

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End Semester Evaluation (ESE): 75 marks
This will be through a three hour written examination consisting of 10 very short answer questions (with no choices and each carrying 1 mark), 7 short answer questions to be chosen out of 10 questions (each carrying 5 marks) and 3 descriptive questions to be chosen out of five questions (each carrying 10 marks).

Requirement of the laboratory support and Library Resources:
Laboratory hours are not mandatory for MA Economics as per the existing syllabus, but students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 23,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in-house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 500/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 400/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

Cost estimate of the programme and the provisions (Base 2019-20):

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Quality assurance mechanism and expected programme outcomes

Quality assurance mechanism: The Board of Studies for MA Economics constituted by the
University of Kerala approves and reviews the syllabus and course content. The SDE, University of Kerala has devised the following mechanism for monitoring the effectiveness of the M.A. programme to enhance its standards of curriculum, instructional design etc.

(a) Established a Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) at the University level to develop and put in place a comprehensive and dynamic internal quality assurance system to enhance the quality of the programmes offered through distance mode as per the norms and guidelines of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.

(b) The CIQA is periodically conducting institutional quality audits, to promote quality assurance and enhance as well as spread best- in-class practices of quality assurance. The CIQA conducts the quality audit by addressing the following seven broad areas, namely:

- Governance, leadership and management
- Articulation of higher educational institutions objectives
- Programme development and approval processes
- Infrastructure resources
- Learning environment and learner support
- Assessment & evaluation of learning outcomes
- Teaching quality and staff development

(c) The SDE has an approved panel of experts for preparing SML. The SLM prepared is being edited by the course coordinator. The CIQA also oversees the development and preparation of SLMs. Then submit the SLMs to the Board of Studies concerned for the approval. The SLMs are developed with the approach of self-explanatory, self-contained, self-directed, self-motivating and self-evaluating.

The SDE of the University has one Associate professor exclusively for coordinating the programme and also has a panel of qualified guest teachers for counselling students and engaging in personal contact programmes.

### s. Expected Programme Outcomes:

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

- Use the spoken and written word, graphs, and mathematics to present economic phenomena and arguments.
- Able to use theoretical and empirical methods to analyse socio-economic issues.
- Develop critical thinking capacity.
- Develop capability in using computer software for the purpose of research.
- Apply their knowledge and learning to engage in informed debate and to analyze and solve problems.
Note: The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
School of Distance Education
Master of Arts (Sociology)
PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT

(a) Programme’s mission & objectives

Mission
In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education to all, the programme Sociology aims at imparting an in-depth sociological knowledge (both theoretical and practical) in the post graduate level.

Objectives
- To help the students to understand the nature and character of sociological perspective.
- To familiarize the students with the critical exploration of the social processes, social issues and problems of society sociologically.
- To equip students with sociological imagination.

(b) Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals

Offered in the distance mode, MA Sociology will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focussed, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

MA Sociology in the distance mode will be an advance programme for the students who are intend to do higher education. This programme is offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

(c) Nature of prospective target group of learners

Sociology programme in post graduate level has extensive demand, but only limited students can accommodated in the regular mode through university departments and colleges. Thus thorough the distance mode education a large segment of population can provide quality education not only in terms of quality, but also flexible in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry. Considering the requirements of the learners we have designed our self- learning material and programme to guide the learners for higher education.

(d) Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence:

The MA Sociology programme will perceive to ensure the following skills and competences in the learners.
1. **Theoretical skill** (Reading, analyzing and writing skill): To introduce the students with the theoretical insights of classical, advanced and modern sociological thinking and understand various kinds of theoretical perspectives in detail. As a post graduate programme, it obliges wide reading on the subject both original texts and critics to understand and develop sociological knowledge. Students are also trained to prepare and present research papers.

2. **Practical skill** (problem solving skill) for application of theoretical knowledge: To help the students to relate sociological theories to the contemporary social issues.

3. **Skill for community participation**: To enable the students to identify social problems and to equip them to participate in the community services.

4. **Critical evaluation skill**: To equip the students to analyze and evaluate social issues.

5. **Research skill**: Enable the students in doing social research, to introduce major research tools and techniques, research paradigms, and to make clear the relationship between theory and research and use of statistical tools.

(e) **Instructional Design:**

**Syllabus for MA Sociology**

**Semester System (SDE) Course Structure and Mark Distribution**

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CE – Continues Evaluation

ESE – End Semester Examination
Duration of the programme
4 Semesters, two years.

Faculty and support staff requirement
There are two full time faculty members available and one of them coordinates the MA Programme in Sociology. There is sufficient staff support from the SDE office for processing administrative work. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the Vice Chancellor are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

Instructional delivery mechanisms
In addition to Self Learning Materials, students are offered 90 contact hours for each semester, conducted over 15 days during weekends. Classes are taken using audio-visual aids, and students are also fortified to use authentic web resources.

(f) Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation
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**Fee structure:** Rs. 10305/- for full programme.
Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

**Financial assistance**
Concession for tuition will be given to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed from SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

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(i) **Quality assurance mechanism and expected programme outcomes:**

The University Board of Studies for MA Sociology programme approves and reviews the syllabus, course content, and the Self Learning Material of MA Sociology offered through distance mode.

The overall ensuring of quality will be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, School of Distance Education.

**Expected outcomes**

1. Sociology provides training for community participation, social service, public policy formation and planning.
2. Study of sociology in PG level help the students to get training in conducting social researchers and to find out scientific solution to the current social problems.
3. Students are also competent to work in the non-profit organizations, government agencies, enforcement agencies of law.
4. A post graduate in sociology can go for higher studies like Ph.D in many multi-disciplinary subjects.

**Note:** The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
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(i) Programme’s Mission & Objectives

(i) Mission
In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education to all, the programme MA Public Administration was started in 1996 at School of Distance Education. The course aims to create awareness on how government functions and creating awareness about the citizens’ duties and responsibilities in nation building. The Programme MA in Public Administration provides a wide understanding and knowledge in the field of Administration. It will help them to become administrators, scholars, teachers and public servants.

(ii) Objectives

i. To enable learners to form a foundation in Indian Administration.

ii. To understand the administrative systems of other nations.

iii. To develop administrative and executive skills.

iv. To mould the civil service aspirants.

(ii) Relevance of the Program with HEI’s Mission and Goals
Offered in the distance mode, MA Public Administration will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focussed, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

MA Public Administration in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for civil service and other administrative positions in both Public and Private Organisations. It follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

(iii) Nature of Prospective Target Group of Learners
An MA programme in Public Administration has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges since it is offered only limited colleges in Kerala. This will join the attempt to democratising higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry.

Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the fresh learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.
(iv) Appropriateness of Programme to Be Conducted in Open and Distance Learning Mode to Acquire Specific Skills and Competence

The MA Public Administration programme will see to ensure the following skills and competences in the learners.


2. Theoretical Skill: By learning theories of Public Administration, Essentials of Business Management, and Indian Administration they will be able to develop a strong theoretical backup.

3. Nation Building: By learning Human Rights, Development Administration, Public Policy Analysis, and Indian Government, they can take part in the process of nation building.

4. Doing Research: understand and use basic research tools, develop questions and topics worth researching, incorporate research in relevant field.

(v) Instructional Design

(i) Programme Details

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(ii) **Duration of the Programme**

4 Semesters, two years.

(iii) **Faculty and Support Staff requirement**

The course is coordinated by a full time regular faculty member of Public Administration. In addition, service of faculty members from related disciplines like Management and Political Science can also be used. There is sufficient staff support from the SDE office for processing administrative work. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the Vice Chancellor are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

(iv) **Instructional Delivery mechanisms**

In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 90 contact hours each semester, conducted over 15 days during the weekend. Classes are taken with the help of Audio Visual Aids.

(vi) **Procedure for Admissions, Curriculum Transaction and Evaluation**

(i) **Admission**

Application for admissions is received online. Eligibility for admission to MA Public Administration is a Bachelor’s Degree in any branch of Science, Social Science or Bachelor’s Degree (Irrespective of faculty) recognised by the University of Kerala/ BA Communicative English (Vocational). The minimum grade point for admission to MA Public Administration is 4.5 CCPA(S) out of 10 as that of all other subjects under the faculty of Social Sciences or 45% for the annual scheme mode.

(ii) **Curriculum Transaction**

Curriculum is transacted in the Distance Mode with the help of Self Learning Material and Personal Contact Classes.

The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.
(iii) Evaluation

Evaluation is continuous and end semester. Continuous Evaluation requires the submission of one assignment for 15 marks and one Test Paper/Case Analysis for each course carrying 10 marks carrying a total of 25 marks.

End Semester Examinations are conducted by the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala. The written exams carry 75 marks per paper.

(iv) Academic Calendar

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(v) Fee Structure

The total fee of MA Public Administration is Rs.10,305/- (Rupees Ten thousand three hundred and five only).

(vi) Financial Assistance

Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed form SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

Requirement of the Laboratory Support and Library Resources

Laboratory hours are not mandatory for MA Public Administration, but students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.
The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in-house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non-members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

(vii) **Cost Estimate of the Programme and the Provisions**

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(viii) **Quality Assurance Mechanism and Expected Programme Outcomes**

1. **Quality Assurance Mechanism**

The Board of Studies of the University for Public Administration approves and reviews the syllabus, course content, and the Self Learning Material of MA Public Administration offered in the distance mode too.

The quality of the programme will be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance for the Distance Education Programmes of the University.

2. **Expected Programme Outcomes**

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

(i) Develop an ability to teach Public Administration for UG and PG programmes in Colleges and Universities or undertake research leading to MPhil or PhD in in Public Administration.

(ii) Write competitive examinations for securing lucrative jobs as teachers, managers, administrators in government or other public/private sectors etc.

(iii) Appreciate importance of working independently and in a team.
(iv) Prepare business plans and projects effectively using quantitative and statistical techniques.

(v) Develop an understanding of various forms of administration such as finance, HR, project preparation, and management of Local Self Governments, environment, NGOs etc.

(vi) Develop self-confidence and awareness of general issues prevailing in the society.

Note: The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
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1. University of Kerala  
The University of Kerala is a State university located in Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city of Kerala. University of Kerala is the first University in the State, originally established as the University of Travancore in 1937 and is the 16th oldest University of the country. The present territorial jurisdiction of the University extends to the revenue districts of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alapuzha and Pathanamthitta. The University of Kerala is offering courses in regular as well as distance mode. In regular mode the University offers wide range of programmes at the undergraduate, post graduate, MPhil, doctoral levels, post graduate diploma, diploma and certificate levels. In distance mode the University offers 13 UG and 13 PG programmes. The University of Kerala has undergone immense transformation on various fronts during the last 80 years. The University has been recognized by the UGC as per UGC Act, 1956 under Section 2 (f) and 12 (b) and has been reaccredited by NAAC with A grade in 2015. University also bagged the First Chancellor’s Award for the Best University in Kerala in 2015. There are at present 223 affiliated colleges and 82 research centres under the University and have 42 teaching and research departments (under 11 schools), 10 teacher education centres, 7 UIMs and 17 UITs. There are at present 149 faculty members of which 30 are Professors, 35 Associate Professors and 84 Assistant Professors under its 42 teaching and research departments. In addition, there are 54 guest faculty members and 10 visiting faculty members working in the departments. Among the teaching faculty members 160 are PhD degree holders. 1492 administrative staff and 30 technical staff are also working in the University.  

2. The School of Distance Education  
The School of Distance Education (SDE), started in 1976 as a teaching and research department of the University of Kerala, is one of the pioneering centres of distance learning in the State. The aims and objectives of the school include:  

- Democratizing higher education to large segments of the population, in particular the disadvantaged groups like those living in remote and rural areas, working people, and women.  
- Providing an innovative system of university-level education which is both flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrollment and age of entry.  
- Providing an opportunity for up-gradation of skills and qualifications.  
- Developing education as a lifelong activity to enable persons to update their knowledge or acquire knowledge in new areas.
University of Kerala is one of the Universities in India having appointed permanent full time teaching faculty members for running the distance education programmes. The SDE has 19 permanent faculty members and 8 full time contract faculty members with diverse academic backgrounds and rich experience in the rank of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors. The school had recognition of the erstwhile Distance Education Council (DEC) for 45 programmes till 2014-15. In line with the efforts of the UGC to streamline the distance learning mode, the SDE also redefined its programmes and got the UGC recognition to offer 13 UG and 13 PG programmes from the academic year 2017-18 onwards. The SDE has no private off campus/learner support centers.

3. Mission & Objectives of M.Com Programme

3.1 Mission

The post graduate programme in Commerce (M.Com) has been designed to provide high quality, relevant business education to B Com/ BBA/BBM graduates with diverse socio economic backgrounds intending to develop their skills and knowledge in business, as well as those who wish to broaden their undergraduate business degree, with a holistic concern for better life, environment and society.

3.2 Objectives

1. To enable every student to cope up with the latest developments in business and accounting in the contemporary, national and global level through effective transaction of the curricular and co-curricular aspects.

2. To produce commerce post graduates with the required skills, problem solving ability and professionalism essential for being successful.

3. To ensure all- round development of the students’ personality through proper education and exposure to the vast treasure of knowledge.

4. To provide exposure to learners in the latest trends in the branch of Commerce, and competence and creativity to face global challenges.

5. To develop entrepreneurship and managerial skills in students so as to enable them establish and manage their business establishments.

6. To facilitate students with skills and abilities to become competent and competitive to be assured of good careers and job placements.

4. Relevance of M.Com Program with HEI’s Mission and Goals

The mission and goal of the University of Kerala is to incorporate the changes in the syllabus and curriculum of all its academic programmes on time. Towards this end, the University used to revise the syllabus and curriculum for its UG and PG programmes once in every three years. The M Com programme being offered through distance mode closely aligned with the vision and mission of the same programme offered through regular mode in the University.
Further, M Com in the distance mode follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme in the regular mode of the University offered through its affiliated colleges.

5. Nature of Prospective Target Group of Learners

M.Com programme has been designed to meet the expanding needs in Commerce education at all levels and provide necessary manpower to business, industry, service and government and private sectors in the areas like accounting, finance, taxation etc. As a substantial share of the M.Com aspirants in Kerala are outside the regular mode of education through the affiliated colleges, it is hoped that the programme offered through the distance mode of the university will be an advantage for those who could not join regular colleges owing to constraints such as eligibility for enrolment, age of entry, time and place etc. Further, the target group of learners includes those from socially and economically disadvantaged groups (such as scheduled castes, scheduled tribes, fishermen, other backward communities, women, people below poverty line etc). Understanding the needs of the learners, we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.

6. Appropriateness of Programme to Be Conducted in Open and Distance Learning Mode to Acquire Specific Skills and Competence

Distance learning programmes are getting popularity in India and a large number of students desire to continue their studies along with their employment. Accordingly, about 120 universities in India have been recognised by the DEB of UGC for offering ODL programmes during 2016-17. Of these, more than 100 universities are offering M Com programme. This is because of the appropriateness of the programme to be conducted in ODL mode and ever increasing number of takers owing to the popularity of the programme.

The programme could be considered appropriate to be conducted in ODL mode to acquire specific skills and competence for the following reasons:

1. All the courses in the programme are theory and/or problem based. So, no laboratory or experiment is needed to impart the skills and competence required for the programme.
2. The specific skill and competencies required for an M.Com student can be imparted to a great extent through SLMs prepared with the approach of self-explanatory, self-contained, self-directed, self motivating and self-evaluating.
3. Availability of large volumes of study material on the various courses of the M Com programme in the Internet or websites of the UGC or Universities in the form of notes in word/PDF format, PPTs, videos etc, and the counselling hours earmarked per course are considered sufficient to impart the required skill and competencies for the programme.
4. The Programme is designed to impart necessary teaching skills among students by educating them with the diverse theories, models, approaches and intellectual traditions in commerce
5. The programme practices the students in academic writing and equally helps them to improve their presentation skills through mandatory assignments and seminars.
7. Instructional Design

7.1 Curriculum Design

The M.Com programme proposed to offer under distance mode is also offered by the University through its affiliated colleges under regular mode. Further, the programme has been approved by the statutory bodies of the University. The University is revising the curriculum and syllabi of its M.Com programme once in every three years to ensure that the content is updated to reflect current academic knowledge and practice, and also to ensure that the University used to provide the best learning experiences possible for students. Academic staff and experts in the area of Commerce offer changes in the curriculum and syllabi at the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop generally convened at least six months before the due date of curriculum and syllabus revision. Major changes are then submitted to the Board of Studies of Commerce of the University for Final Approval. As part of curriculum design, the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop considers curriculum analysis of social needs, translating the needs into course, splitting the objectives into specific objectives, grouping the specific objectives into subjects, deriving the subjects from the classification, specifying enabling objectives, unitizing each subject matter, specification of required time and syllabus formulation.

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Notes:
1. CA: Continuous Assessment
2. ESA: End Semester Examination
3. The allocation of marks for each component of CA: 15 marks for Assignment and 10 marks for Test Paper

9. Duration of the Programme

Four semesters spread over two years.

10. Faculty and Support Staff Requirement

M Com programme is coordinated by a full time regular faculty member of the School of Distance Education. In addition to the coordinator, there are three more full time regular faculty members in the department of Commerce of the SDE. There is sufficient number of staff in the administrative and academic division of SDE for the administrative work involved in the smooth conduct of the programme. Apart from this, the SDE has a panel of experts and qualified external teachers approved by the University. Their services are used in the preparation of Self Learning Material, for engaging contact classes and for evaluation of answer scripts.

11. Instructional Delivery Mechanisms

In addition to provide SLMs prepared in line with the UGC guidelines on preparation of SLMs, the students are offered contact classes at the head quarters of the School of Distance Education and at various Personal Contact Programme Centers during the weekend. There shall be at least fifteen instructional days in a semester and a minimum of ninety instructional hours. The personal contact programmes are being taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources such as books, notes, videos etc.

12. Student Support Service Systems at SDE

SDE provides the following students support services:

(a) Information Centre, (b) Library with good collection of books and journals (c) Wi-Fi connectivity, (d) Counselling, (e) Students feedback, (f) Placement cell, (g) Students Grievance Redressal Cell, (g) Alumni Association, (i) Women’s Cell, (j) Research Cell, (k) Post Office, (l) Snack bar and Refreshment Centre, (m) Restrooms, (n) Reprographic centre,
13. Procedure for Admissions, Curriculum Transaction and Evaluation

13.1 Admission

The admission notifications for M Com programme, among others are being issued in leading national and regional dailies during June-July. The detailed information regarding admission is being given on the SDE website (www.ideku.net) and on the admission website (www.de.keralauniversity.ac.in). Students seeking admission shall apply online.

13.2 Minimum Eligibility for Admission

Those who have not less than 45 per cent marks in part III optional or 4.5 CCPA out of 10 or 1.8 CCPA out of 4 in B Com finance, B Com Computer Application/ B.Com Cooperation/ B Com Travel and Tourism (Vocational and Restructured) B Com Tax Procedure and Practices (Vocational and Restructured) B Com Actuarial Science Vocational/ B Com Office Management and Secretarial Practice/ B Com Hotel Management and Catering (Restructured)/ BBA/ BBS/BBM are eligible for admission to M Com Programme.

13.3 Personal Contact Programme

The students are offered personal contact programmes at the head quarters of the School of Distance Education and at various personal contact programme centers. There shall be at least fifteen instructional days in a semester and a minimum of ninety instructional hours.

13.4 Evaluation

Evaluation of each course shall be done in two parts viz, Continuous Assessment (CA) and End Semester Assessment (ESA). The distribution of marks shall be 25 per cent for Continuous Assessment and 75 per cent for End Semester Assessment. The allocation of marks for each component of CA is 15 marks for Assignment and 10 marks for Test Paper.

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14. Fee Structure

The fee for the course is Rs.10,935/- (Rupees Ten thousand nine hundred and thirty five only). Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

15. Requirement of the Laboratory Support and Library Resources

SDE has a full-fledged computer lab facility for its students. The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. There is a separate section in the library for Commerce and Management discipline with more than 4000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in-house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. The non-members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

Cost Estimate of the Programme and the Provisions (Base 2019-20)

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16. Quality Assurance Mechanism and Expected Programme Outcomes

16.1 Quality Assurance Mechanism

The SDE, University of Kerala has devised the following mechanism for monitoring the effectiveness of the M.Com programme to enhance its standards of curriculum, instructional design etc.

(a) Established a Centre for Internal Quality Assurance (CIQA) at the University level to develop and put in place a comprehensive and dynamic internal quality assurance system to enhance the quality of the programmes offered through distance mode as per the norms and guidelines of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017.
(b) The CIQA is periodically conducting institutional quality audits, to promote quality assurance and enhance as well as spread best- in-class practices of quality assurance. The CIQA conducts the quality audit by addressing the following seven broad areas, namely:

i. Governance, leadership and management

ii. Articulation of higher educational institutions' objectives

iii. Programme development and approval processes

iv. Infrastructure resources

v. Learning environment and learner support

vi. Assessment & evaluation of learning outcomes

vii. Teaching quality and staff development

(c) The SDE has an approved panel of experts for preparing SML. The SLM prepared is being edited by the course coordinator. The CIQA also oversees the development and preparation of SLMs. Then submit the SLMs to the Board of Studies concerned for the approval. The SLMs are developed with the approach of self-explanatory, self-contained, self-directed, self-motivating and self-evaluating.

(d) The SDE of the University has two full-time faculty members exclusively for coordinating the programme and also has a panel of qualified guest teachers for counselling students and engaging in personal contact programmes in the Head Quarters at Thiruvananthapuram and study centres at Kollam, Adoor and Alappuzha.

The quality of the programme is monitored through a continuous assessment system. The entire program consists of eighteen courses and each course with an end semester examination for 75% of weightage. The remaining 25% is assigned for attendance and assignment (10% for attendance and 15% for assignment). Assignment topics are based on topics of contemporary relevance and cases drawn from real life situations in industry and commerce.

### 16.2 Expected Programme Outcomes

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

- Develop an ability to teach Commerce for UG and PG programmes in Colleges and Universities or undertake research leading to MPhil or PhD in Commerce.
- Write competitive examinations for securing lucrative jobs as teachers, finance managers, officers in government or other public/private sectors etc.
- Appreciate importance of working independently and in a team
- Have exposure of complex commerce problems and find their solution
- Prepare business plans and projects effectively using quantitative and statistical techniques.
- Understand required analytical and statistical tools for financial and accounting analysis
- Develop an understanding of various commerce functions such as finance, accounting, auditing, taxation, investment analysis, financial analysis, project preparation and evaluation, and cost accounting
- Develop self-confidence and awareness of general issues prevailing in the society.
Note: The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA
School of Distance Education
Master of Science (Computer Science)
Programme Project Report

(a) Programme’s Mission and Objectives:

Mission
In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education to all, the programme M.Sc Computer Science aims at imparting knowledge in Software Development, and skills in using Computer Science in the post graduate level.

Objectives
- To develop an interest in the candidates towards a career in academic and research, and to enable them with sufficient knowledge to become a competent academician.
- To equip the students with adequate exposure and skills to empower them to catch a deserving position in the software industry.
- To develop an interest in promoting the use of Computer Science for the positive development of our society and the environment.
- To enable the students to contest for regional/national/international level competitive examinations.

(b) Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals:
Offered in the distance mode, M.Sc Computer Science will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focussed, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education.

M. Sc Computer Science in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for the Ph.D programmes offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

(c) Nature of prospective target group of learners
M. Sc Computer Science programme has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges and university departments. This will join the attempt to democratising higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry. The consideration is given to the low level of disposable income, rural dwellers, women, minorities etc.
Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programmes to lead the learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.

(d) ** Appropriateness of programme to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence:**

The M.Sc Computer Science programme will see to ensure the following skills and competences in the learners.

1. IT Skills: The ability to conceive, design and write correct working computer programs in several different programming styles using a variety of compilers and development environments.

2. Software design : The ability to apply a software engineering process and take a project through the stages of the software cycle using design notations and software engineering tools selectively.

3. Analytical and Research: The ability to research, acquire, use and critically evaluate complex data.

4. Problem solving: The ability to solve problems by using mathematical and I.T. knowledge.

5. Creativity: Able to show creativity and innovation in solving unfamiliar problems.

6. Team Work: Combine with others to achieve tasks/goals.

7. Communication: The ability to communicate ideas and results clearly, concisely and effectively both orally, (by giving presentations), and in writing, for instance in the production of technical reports.

**Instructional Design:**

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(f) **Duration of the programme**

4 Semesters, two years.

(g) **Faculty and support staff requirement**

There is three full time faculty members available and one of them coordinates the M.Sc
Computer Science Programme. There is sufficient staff support from the SDE for processing administrative work. The service of qualified guest teachers and experts from panels approved by the Vice Chancellor are used in the preparation of SLM, for taking contact classes and conducting internal evaluation.

(h) Instructional delivery mechanisms

In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 240 contact hours each semester, conducted over 40 days during the weekend. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources. A repertoire of audio/video lectures are being prepared, which will be made available to the learners on an experimental basis from this academic year onwards.

(i) Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation:

Application for admissions are received online. Eligibility for admission to Candidates for admission to M Sc Programme in Computer Science should have passed

(i) A Degree course with minimum 3 years duration after 10+2 with not less than 50% marks or 2 CGPA[S] out of 4 in Computer Science/Computer Application/Electronics as main or an equivalent Degree recognized by the University of Kerala for the purpose.

(ii) Any science degree with minimum 3 years duration after 10+2 with not less than 50% marks or 2 CGPA[S] out of 4 with Computer science/Computer application as one of the main/subsidiary/core subject. Candidate shall meet all other requirements in the prospectus published by University time to time.

(j) Academic Calendar

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(k) Fee structure
The fee for the course is Rs.13,770/- (Rupees Thirteen thousand seven hundred and seventy only). Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

(l) Financial Assistance: Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed form SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

(m) Curriculam Transaction: Curriculum is transacted in the Distance Mode with the help of Self Learning Material and Personal Contact Classes. The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.

(n) Evaluation: Assessment is continuous and end semester.
Continuous Assessment requires the submission of one assignment and one Test Paper for each course carrying 10 marks each and 5 marks is given for attendance.
End Semester Examinations are conducted by the Controller of Examinations, University of Kerala. The written exams carry 75 marks per paper.

(o) Requirement of the laboratory support and Library Resources:
A well equipped lab is provided for conducting IT courses. It has continuous internet connectivity. Printed lab manuals are provided to students. Faculty and programmers will guide the students to carry out their lab work. They can access online resources from the lab.
1. System Specification: The computer lab at SDE has 50 Computers and Network Technology well equipped with High end i3 Processors. The recent version of Ubuntu (16.10) Operating System provides hands on experience for students. The lab hosts a campus net line which helps the students to update themselves with the recent trends in the industry, with online UPS and special furniture for Computer users. The Lab is provided with an LCD projector with all necessary peripherals to enhance the quality of teaching and learning. The lab has also a Canon 6230 dn network printer.
Desktop Computer (Acer Veriton M200-H81) RAM-4GB DDR 3 RAM Hard Disk-1 TB Preloaded with Ubuntu Linux 16.10
2. Power- UPS
The back up from two 5 KVA online UPS (30 Minutes back up) supports the machines in the lab and network technology. Single phase AC input (170-250V) and Single phase AC output (230V) and 30 Minutes back up time. The main network switch is placed in the ground floor.
3. Networking
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(o) **Cost estimate of the programme and the provisions:(Base 2019-20)**

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(p) **Quality assurance mechanism and expected programme outcomes**

The University Board of Studies for PG Computer Science approves and reviews the syllabus, course content, and the Self Learning Material of M. Sc Computer Science offered in the distance mode also. The overall ensuring of quality will be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality.

(q) **Expected Programme Outcomes:** After completing the course students will

1) Learn and gain an integrated set of IT skills.

2) Learn the theoretical and practical knowledge required to design large and complex Computer applications.

3) Embrace future developments in the field and retain professional relevance.

4) Build a strong foundation of computer system and Information Technology.

5) Gain dexterity in advanced programming languages and build sophisticated software for wide area of applications.

6) Work with high end applications in Internet Technologies.

7) Acquire the managerial ability required to analyse, design, develop and maintain software development
Note: The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA  
School of Distance Education  
Master of Science (Mathematics)  
PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT  

1. Program’s Mission and Objectives

Mission

In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala; the department is committed to providing a variety of courses designed to help students acquire an understanding of mathematics including their use and abuse, along with making students to become quantitatively literate citizens.

Objectives

 To provide adequate knowledge of mathematics to enable students to pursue a mathematical career.

 To develop the ability to work both independently and collaboratively on mathematical problems.

 To maintain the program-specific applicability of these courses, by consulting with faculty from the appropriate disciplines and by monitoring student development of knowledge and skills within the application area.

 To develop the ability to use contemporary mathematical software.

2. Relevance of the program with HEI’s Mission and Goals:

Offered in the distance mode, MSc Mathematics will be closely aligned with the vision and mission of the University of Kerala, in vowing to ensure knowledge based, student focused, quality and cost conscious but socially responsible education. MSc Mathematics in the distance mode follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the program offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala.

3. Nature of prospective target group of learners:

MSc program in Mathematics has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges. This will join the attempt to democratising higher education to large segments of the population, providing an innovative system of university level education that is flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrolment and age of entry. We strive to maintain a culture of inclusion so as to provide high quality educational experience to learners irrespective of caste, creed, region or gender in a cost effective way. Our target group includes learners from socially and economically disadvantaged
groups. Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and induction programs to lead the learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the program and the final evaluation.

4. Appropriateness of program to be conducted in Open and Distance Learning mode to acquire specific skills and competence:

The MSc Mathematics program will see to ensure knowledge, skills and competences in the learners. The specific learning outcomes of the program are given below:

- Comprehensive knowledge in mathematical theory at an advanced level.
- Ability to use theoretical and empirical methods to analyse mathematical issues.
- Exposure to various quantitative techniques which are essential to analyse mathematical issues.
- Analyse existing mathematical models and evaluate their relevance for practical problem solving.
- Planning and carrying out applied work and research projects in mathematics.
- Critical thinking capacity.
- Capability in using mathematics for the purpose of research.

5 Instructional Design:

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5. Duration of the program

Four semesters, two years.

6. Faculty and support staff requirement

M.Sc Mathematics is coordinated by a full time regular faculty member. There is one more full time faculty member on contract basis. There is sufficient number of staff in the School of Distance Education office for the administrative work involved in the smooth conduct of the program. Moreover the School of Distance Education has a panel of experts and qualified external teachers approved by the Honorable Vice Chancellor of Kerala University. Their services are used in the preparation of Self Learning Material, for engaging contact classes and for evaluation of answer scripts.

7. Instructional delivery mechanisms

In addition to providing Self Learning Material, students are offered 60 contact hours each semester, conducted over 10 days during the weekend. Classes are taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources. A collection of audio/video lectures are being prepared, which will be made available to the learners on an experimental basis from this academic year onwards.

8. Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation:

Applications for admission are received online. Detailed information regarding admission is available in the website of SDE and admission notifications are issued in leading national and regional dailies.

Eligibility for admission to MSc Mathematics, as per university norms is graduation in Mathematics (B.Sc. with Mathematics or Statistics as Core Course securing not less than 5.5
CCPA(S) * out of 10( for graduates who have passed qualifying examination in CBCS pattern - 2013 admissions)or B.Sc. with Mathematics or Statistics as Core Course securing not less than 2.2 CGPA(S) * out of 4 (for for graduates who have passed qualifying examination in CBCS pattern prior to 2013 admissions) or B.Sc. with Mathematics or Statistics as optional Main subject under Part III scoring not less than 55% marks ( for graduates who have passed qualifying examination in Annual scheme / other pattern) /B.Sc. Optical Instrumentation (Vocational), Instrumentation ( Vocational), Industrial Chemistry (Vocational) / Electrical Equipment Maintenance (Vocational), Computer Applications( Career Related/Vocational ).

9. Fee Structure

The fee for the course is Rs.11,880/- (Rupees Eleven thousand eight hundred and eighty only). Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

10. Academic Calendar

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11. Financial Assistance

Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed form SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).
Detailed time schedule of contact classes and dates of spot distribution of SLM will be announced in the Press release by the University (available in the Website / published in all leading regional Newspapers). Besides this, SMS alerts are also given to the students regarding important dates like dates of contact classes, last date of payment of tuition fee, last date for submission of application for examination, etc.

12. Requirement of the laboratory support and Library Resources:
Laboratory hours are mandatory for MSc Mathematics, for computer papers students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity.

The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in- house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

13. Cost estimate of the program and the provisions: (Base 2019-20)

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14. Quality assurance mechanism and expected program outcomes
The Board of Studies for M.Sc Mathematics constituted by the University of Kerala approves and reviews the syllabus, course content and the Self Learning Material of M.Sc Mathematics offered in the distance mode also. The overall ensuring of quality will be closely monitored by the Centre for Internal Quality Assurance, School of Distance Education.

15. Expected program outcomes:
Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:
a. To develop the ability to analyze mathematical problems.
b. To formulate the critical problems in daily life to mathematical model.
c. Able to attend UGC-Net, CAT, CSIR and MAT etc

d. Enable to apply for the post of Intelligence Bureau

e. To optimize the manpower in Military and other business areas

f. To motivate research activities in various fields in Mathematics, statistics, population and applied mathematics.

g. To prepare for other eligible job areas in state and central govt.

**Note:** The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
UNIVERSITY OF KERALA  
School of Distance Education  
Master of Business Administration (MBA)  
PROGRAMME PROJECT REPORT

a. Programme’s mission & objectives

Mission

To impart quality education on management concepts, theories and applications so as to create entrepreneurs as well as successful managers in different functional disciplines.

Objectives

i. To provide advanced learning on the concepts of management in the functional areas of Finance, HRM, Marketing, Operations, Logistics etc.

ii. To impart problem solving skills through internalization of managerial concepts and analysis of cases.

iii. To create managers of resources and organisations with the required competencies.

b. Relevance of the program with HEI's mission goals

MBA program would foster quality higher education that inspires to create responsible citizens for the nation and the world at large. The program would focus on the higher learning environment in the state of Kerala and would strive to use the huge talented graduate manpower so as to enable them to acquire managerial skills and application oriented skills that would help them to enrich their competencies. The distance learning mode for MBA would help learners to draw live examples from their work or organizational environment and use information inputs from the learning context to sharpen their skills.

The MBA program in the distance learning mode would have the same curriculum as that of the regular mode and hence would be at par with the regular program of the University.

c. Nature of prospective target group of learners

- Managers of medium and large scale organisation in the public and private sector who work in the functional areas of HRM, Marketing, Operations, Financial, Systems, Media, international business management, Logistics and supply chain management, Travel and tourism management.

- Entrepreneurs who are involved in tiny, small and medium enterprises

- Individuals who intend to set up their own enterprises in the form of startups.

- Managers and supervisors of NGO’s, local authority, Government organisations, professional bodies.
• Graduates seeking professional growth.

d. Appropriateness of programmes to be conducted in open and distance learning made to acquire specific skills and competence.

MBA (Semester I and II)

• Understanding of basic management concepts.
• Acquiring fundamental skills on research methods including data analysis and interpretation.
• Drawing inputs on the functional areas of management

MBA (Semester III & IV)

A total of five different electives are offered as given below:

1. Financial Management
2. Marketing Management
3. Human Resources Management
4. Operations Management
5. Systems Management

The students opting for dual specializations will have to choose a minimum of three courses from each elective. Students will also be given the option of choosing all the seven courses from a single elective. Dual specialization certificate to be issued by the University once the candidate applies for the same with a specified fee to the University.

1. Finance

Understanding Financial systems and learning to judge movements in the financial markets, skills in investing in the primary and secondary market, portfolio management skills, financial engineering and analytics.

2. Marketing

Developing a marketing mix then creating a product mix, formulating a promotion mix, marketing research competencies, marketing strategies in the Indian context.

3. HRM

Understanding manpower planning techniques, skills in developing job design, understanding of training needs and training methods, skills on behavioural analysis and behavioural change, HR development strategies including motivation, counseling and mentoring.
4. Operations Management

Understanding the newest production oriented benchmarks such as Six Sigma, TQM, BPR etc., skills in advanced project management techniques, advanced maintenance management techniques.

5. Systems

Creating information systems, databases management system, developing a systems management approach, information support for the functional areas of management.

e) Instructional design

i) Curriculum design

The M.B.A programme proposed at SDE is in concurrence with the syllabus offered at University through regular mode. Also, the programme has been approved by the statutory bodies of the University. Further, the University is revising the curriculum and syllabi of its M.B.A programme once in every three years to ensure that the content is updated to reflect current academic knowledge and practice, and also to ensure that the University used provide the best learning experiences possible for students. Academic staff and experts in the area of Management propose changes in the curriculum and syllabi at the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop generally convened at least six months before the due date of curriculum and syllabus revision. Major changes are then submitted to the Board of Studies of Management (Pass) of the University for Final Approval. As part of curriculum design, the curriculum and syllabus revision workshop considers curriculum analysis of social needs, translating the needs into course, splitting the objectives into specific objectives, grouping the specific objectives into subjects, deriving the subjects from the classification, specifying enabling objectives, unitising each subject matter, specification of required time and syllabus formulation.

ii) Programme details (syllabus)

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(CA- Continuous Assessment in Marks, ESA- End Semester Assessment in Marks, Total in Marks)

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Note:

The students will have to choose a minimum of three papers each from the two electives of their choice. In the case of papers that are common to two electives, students may decide under which elective that common paper should be considered and accordingly choose another paper from the other elective to make up for the papers required from an elective for dual specialization.

### MBA PROGRAMME – ELECTIVES

#### I HUMAN RESOURCES MANAGEMENT

**III Semester**

3H1 Training and Development  
3H2 Organizational Change and Development  
3H3 Team Building  
3H4 Stress Management and Counseling  
3H5 Career Management  
3H6 Participation Management  
3H7 Performance Management

**IV Semester**

4H1 Compensation Management  
4H2 Industrial Relations and Labour Law  
4H3 Global Human Resources Management
4H4 Strategic Human Resources Management
4H5 Managing Diversity in Work Place

II MARKETING MANAGEMENT

III  Semester
3M1 Customer Behaviour
3M2 Integrated Marketing Communications (IMC)
3M3 Marketing Research
3M4 Services Marketing
3M5 Product and Brand Management
3M6 Rural Marketing
3M7 Sales and Distribution Management

IV  Semester
4M1 International Marketing
4M2 Retail Management
4M3 Strategic Marketing Management
4M4 Logistics and Supply Chain Management
4M5 Digital Marketing
III OPERATIONS MANAGEMENT

III Semester
3OM1 Supply Chain and Logistics Management
3OM2 Six Sigma and TQM
3OM3 Healthcare Management
3OM4 Services Operations Management
3OM5 Facilities and Locations Management
3OM6 Advanced Project Management
3OM7 Advanced Maintenance Management

IV Semester
4OM1 Business Process Reengineering
4OM2 World Class Manufacturing
4OM3 Technology Management and Excellence
4OM4 Strategic Operations Management
4OM5 Innovation Management and New Product Development

IV FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

III Semester
3F1 Financial Markets and Services
3F2 Project Finance
3F3 Strategic Financial Management
3F4InternationalFinance
3F5 Behavioural Finance
3F6 Personal Finance
3F7 Security Analysis and Portfolio Management

IV Semester
4F Corporate Taxation
4F2 Management Control System
4F3 Financial Derivatives
4F4 Risk Management
4F5 Corporate Restructuring
V SYSTEMSMANAGEMENT

III Semester
3S1 Software Analysis and Design
3S2 Software Engineering
3S3 Software Project Management
3S4 Enterprise Resource Planning
3S5 Simulation for Managers
3S6 Social Media in Business
3S7 E-Business

IV Semester
4S1 Artificial Intelligence – Applications in Business
4S2 Knowledge Management
4S3 e-CRM
4S4 E-Governance
4S5 Business Intelligence and Data Warehousing

iii) Duration of the programme
Four Semesters, two years offered in the month of August

iv) Faculty and support staff requirement
There is one full time faculty member for MBA programme at school of Distance education of the University. There are sufficient number of administrative staff in the SDE in the rank of Deputy Registrar (One), Assistant Registrars (Three), Section Officers (Six), Assistants (18), Computer operators (Four) and Class Four staff (12) for the administrative support. The service of qualified guest teachers approved by the University is used in the preparation of SLM, personal contact programmes (PCP) and conducting evaluation of answer scripts.

v) Instructional delivery mechanism
In addition to provide SLMs prepared in line with the UGC guidelines on preparation of SLMs, students are being offered 15 contact hours per subject in each semester, conducted within four months. The personal contact programmes are being taken using audio visual aids, and students are encouraged to use web resources such as books, notes, videos etc.

vi) Student support service systems at SDE
(a) Information Centre, (b) Library with good collection of books and journals (c) Wi-Fi connectivity, (d) Counselling, (e) Students feedback, (f) Placement cell, (g) Students Grievance Redressal Cell, (g) Alumni Association, (i) Women’s Cell, (j) Research Cell, (k)
Post Office, (l) Snack bar and Refreshment Centre, (m) Restrooms, (n) Reprographic centre, (o) Drinking water etc.

f) Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation

i) Admission Procedure

The candidate desirous of pursuing the MBA (Distance Education) Degree programme will have to apply to School of Distance Education in order to qualify for admission. They will have to undergo group discussion (GD) and interview at School of Distance Education. There will be a representative of the University from the Institute of Management in Kerala in the GD and interview and the list needs to be forwarded to the University before the student registers for the I semester examination. The split up of the weightage for the three components shall be as follows:

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The admission should be as per the guidelines of Distance Education Bureau, UGC, Government of India.

ii) Minimum eligibility for admission

Candidates seeking admission to the MBA (Distance Education) programme must have passed the BA/BSc/BCom degree examination of the University of Kerala or one recognized by the University as being equivalent thereto, with not less than 50% marks in the aggregate in part III, and for all other degrees of the University of Kerala, or one recognized by the University as being equivalent thereto, 50% marks in aggregate. For SC/ST students, a mere pass in the qualifying degree is enough. However, those candidates having more than 5 years supervisory experience will be given concession of 3% in their qualifying marks.

Fee Structure
The fee for the course is Rs.41175 /-. Tuition fee is waived for students belonging to eligible categories.

i) Financial assistance
Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed from SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

ii) Programme delivery
The programme is being delivered with the help of SLM and Personal Contact programmes. The SLM is being dispatched to the students during each semester by hand or by post. And,
at the end of each semester assignments are given and the marks are included in the ESE. The use of web-based tools is not in place yet, but steps are being initiated.

iii) Academic calendar

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Examination and Result

Regular end semester examination of three hours duration will be conducted for the courses at the end of each semester by the University. The University will issue the semester mark list after each semester examination and final consolidated mark list showing the marks scored in all the four semesters after the successful completion of the MBA (Distance Education) Degree programme.

For each course, the end semester examination will carry 80 marks while the internal assessment will be done for 20 marks. Thus the total marks for each subject shall be 100 marks. The components of internal assessment and the marks for each will be as follows:

- Assignments/case analysis 15 marks
- Seminars and discussions 10 marks

**TOTAL 25 marks**

If a student has shortage of attendance in a particular course, he/she will be allowed to repeat the course once to make up for the shortfall in the attendance. There will be no provision for improving the marks scored in the end-semester examination. Semester examinations for MBA (Distance Education) degree course for each course shall be conducted only once in a year. Candidates for MBA (Distance Education) programme shall be eligible to undergo the
course of study in the next semester and take the examinations of that semester, irrespective of the results of the examination of the previous semester provided they have completed all the formalities of attendance, payment of all fee due to the university, and registration for examination in the earlier semester. A candidate who has failed in any course, however, shall be given a maximum of two additional chances for securing a pass in that course.

Students pursuing MBA programme through the distance education mode will have to undertake a mini project after the completion of second semester and before the start of the third semester. The project should be application oriented based on a contemporary theme and should provide ample scope for applying the knowledge acquired by the student in research methods and quantitative tools during the first two semesters. The criteria for evaluation will be as detailed below:

**External Evaluation 50 marks (by the University)**

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**Time-limit for the Completion of Programme**

A candidate shall be required to complete the programme within a period of four years after joining the programme.

**Classification of Successful Candidates**

A candidate who secures not less than 50% in the end-semester examination subject to a minimum of 50% of the aggregate of internal assessment and end-semester examination together will be declared to have passed the examination.

The division of pass will be based on the aggregate marks of all the continuous assessments and university examinations in the four semesters put together. Candidates who have secured 50% marks and above but below 60% of total marks for all the courses in the four semesters shall be declared to have passed in second class. Candidates who have secured 60% marks and above but below 75% of total marks for all the courses in the four semesters shall be declared to have passed in first class, and

Candidates who obtain 75% marks and above of the total marks for all the courses in the four semesters in first attempt shall be declared to have passed in first class with distinction.
Project Report

During the fourth semester, every student of MBA (Distance Education) programme is required to undertake a project of a problem centered nature under the guidance and supervision of a member of the faculty and the report on the same has to be submitted before the commencement of the fourth semester university examination. The contact hours required for the completion of the project is notionally fixed at 160 hours distributed over a continuous period of two months. Students shall be deputed for the project work immediately after the completion of the fourth semester class work. Those who would like to undertake independent research study need to get the title approved by the supervisor and the same be undertaken under the close supervision of the supervisor at the institution concerned and will have to maintain attendance at the department. The project work and report will be evaluated for 200 marks. There will be external evaluation for the project and report. The external evaluation for 100 marks will be conducted by examiners duly appointed by the University for the purpose. Out of the total 200 marks, 100 marks will be awarded for viva-voce and 100 marks for the report. In case if a candidate fails in the project report evaluation, he/she will be allowed to attend the viva voce with the same project report next year. In case if the candidate fails to pass in that attempt, he/she will have to repeat the project work.

Comprehensive Viva-voce

There will be a comprehensive viva-voce at the end of the fourth semester carrying 100 marks. The University will constitute a Board of Examiners for conducting both the project viva-voce and the comprehensive viva-voce. Students securing less than 50 marks in the comprehensive viva-voce will have to repeat the same during the next year. Such students will be given a total of three chances to clear the same.

g) Requirement of the laboratory support and library resources

Computer Lab is not mandatory for M.B.A except systems elective. The SDE has a separate Library with more than 28,000 books. There is a separate section in the library for Commerce and Management discipline with more than 4000 books. Library automation is done using LibSoft software which facilitates all in-house operations of the library. The library currently subscribes to more than 15 journals of various subject fields. An amount of Rs. 525/- has to be remitted by the students to obtain membership in the Library, of which Rs. 420/- will be refunded on completion of the course. The non members can make use of the library resources and the reference services by producing their student's ID proof. They can use the library for reference purpose and they can avail photocopy facilities.

h) Cost estimate of the programme and the provisions

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i) **Quality assurance mechanism and expected programme outcomes**

Quality in monitored through a continuous assessment system. The program is divided into courses and each course with an end semester examination for 75% of weightage. The remaining 25% is assigned for assignment and seminars and discussions (15 marks for assignment and 10 marks for seminars and discussions)

Assignment topics are based on topics of contemporary relevance and cases drawn from real life situations in the Industry.

The distance learning program would be monitored continuously by fulltime faculty in management available under school of distance education. The faculty members will continuously interact with students on strengthening the learning process. Each student will work on a project which would be guided by the faculty of management under school of distance education.

**Note:** The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
1. University of Kerala

The University of Kerala is a State university located in Thiruvananthapuram, the capital city Kerala. University of Kerala is the first University in the State, originally established as the University of Travancore in 1937 and is the 16th oldest University of the country. The present territorial jurisdiction of the University extends to the revenue districts of Thiruvananthapuram, Kollam, Alapuzha and Pathanamthitta. The University of Kerala is offering courses in regular as well as distance mode. In regular mode the University offers wide range of programmes at the undergraduate, post graduate, MPhil, doctoral levels, post graduate diploma, diploma and certificate levels. In distance mode the University offers 13 UG and 13 PG programmes. The University of Kerala has undergone immense transformation on various fronts during the last 80 years. The University has been recognized by the UGC as per UGC Act, 1956 under Section 2(f) and 12 (b) and has been reaccredited by NAAC with A grade in 2015. University also bagged the First Chancellor's Award for the Best University in Kerala in 2015. There are at present 223 affiliated colleges and 82 research centres under the University and have 42 teaching and research departments (under 11 schools), 10 teacher education centres, 7 UIMs and 17 UITs. There are at present 149 faculty members of which 30 are Professors, 35 Associate Professors and 84 Assistant Professors under its 42 teaching and research departments. In addition, there are 54 guest faculty members and 10 visiting faculty members working in the departments. Among the teaching faculty members 160 are PhD degree holders. 1492 administrative staff and 30 technical staff are also working in the University.

2. The School of Distance Education

The School of Distance Education (SDE), started in 1976 as a teaching and research department of the University of Kerala, is one of the pioneering centres of distance learning in the State. The aims and objectives of the school include:

- Democratizing higher education to large segments of the population, in particular the disadvantaged groups like those living in remote and rural areas, working people, and women.
- Providing an innovative system of university-level education which is both flexible and open in terms of methods, pace of learning, eligibility for enrollment and age of entry.
- Providing an opportunity for up-gradation of skills and qualifications.
- Developing education as a lifelong activity to enable persons to update their knowledge or acquire knowledge in new areas.
University of Kerala is one of the Universities in India having appointed permanent full time teaching faculty members for running the distance education programmes. The SDE has 19 permanent faculty members and 8 full time contract faculty members with diverse academic backgrounds and rich experience in the rank of Professors, Associate Professors and Assistant Professors. The school had recognition of the erstwhile Distance Education Council (DEC) for 45 programmes till 2014-15. In line with the efforts of the UGC to streamline distance learning mode, the SDE also redefined its programmes and got the UGC recognition to offer 13 UG and 13 PG programmes from the academic year 2017-18 onwards. The SDE has no private off campus/learner support centres.

3. Details of the Proposed MLISc Programme

Programme’s Mission & Objectives

In keeping with the overall mission of the School of Distance Education, University of Kerala, to ensure accessibility of quality higher education too all, the programme Master of Library and Information Science (M.L.I.Sc) provide a meaningful educational experience that meets current and emerging library, information and technology needs, and prepares students for productive roles in a variety of continually evolving information environments, or to continue their education.

• To acquaint the students with the various aspects of information, knowledge and communication.
• To acquaint the students with the various techniques of information storage and retrieval.
• To give students a detailed knowledge relating to national and international information systems and techniques of designing various types of information system
• To acquaint the students with various facts of information technology and to make them proficient in using the IT devices for the routine operations in a library.
• To equip the students in research methods and research methodology.

Relevance of the Programme with HEI’s Mission and Goals

M.L.I.Sc in the distance mode will be a feeder programme for the M.Phil and Ph.D programmes offered by the university, and it follows the same syllabus and curriculum of the programme offered in the regular mode through the affiliated colleges of the University of Kerala. The M.L.I.Sc program in the distance learning mode would have the same curriculum as that of the regular mode and hence would be at par with the regular program of the University.
Nature of Prospective Target Group of Learners

MLISc programme has wide demand, and only a small percentage of the students are being accommodated in the regular mode through colleges and university departments.

- Graduate in library science pass outs who are seeking higher position at library profession.
- Those who need higher education such as M.Phil and PhD.
- Those who like to be a library professional at various national or international organizations.
- Graduates seeking professional growth.

Understanding the needs of the learners we have structured our learning material and instructional programmes to lead the learners through the threshold of higher education, and lead them through the course of the programme and the final evaluation.

Appropriateness of Programme to be Conducted in Open and Distance Learning Mode to Acquire Specific Skills and Competence

The M.L.I.Sc programme will see to ensure the following skills and competences in the learners. The M.L.I.Sc programme will see to ensure the following skills and competences in the learners.

1. Understanding Library: Knowledge of the philosophy and techniques of library service
2. IT Skills: The ability to use computer applications.
3. Software Skills: The ability to familiar with library automation softwares. And also understand various digital library softwares.
4. Library Management: The ability to manage all the activities of libraries.
5. Ability to prepare comprehensive reports and present ideas clearly and concisely in written and oral form
6. Research Skills: Acquiring fundamental skills on research methods including data analysis and interpretation.
7. Doing Research: understand and use basic research tools, develop questions and topics worth researching, incorporate research into writing
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**Procedure for admissions, curriculum transaction and evaluation:**

Application for admissions is received online. Eligibility for admission to M.L.I.Sc is a pass in B.L.I.Sc degree of any other university recognized as equivalent thereto.

The curriculum is transacted in distance mode with the help of SLMs and contact classes. Evaluation is continuous. 25 marks set apart for internal assessment for each paper. These 25 marks are apportioned as 5 marks for attendance, 10 marks for test papers and assignments' and 10 marks for seminar presentation. The terminal examination in each paper is of three hours duration and carries 75 marks. Again, 75 marks set apart for dissertation and 25 marks for viva-voce.

**Fee structure:** Rs 9775/- for entire programme.

**Academic Calendar**

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**Financial Assistance**

Concession for tuition fee will be given to SC/ST and OEC students. The students belonging to SC/ST and OEC category will be admitted to the programme without remitting the tuition fee. The fee for the students thus admitted will be later claimed from SC/ST department as per the rules laid down by the government of Kerala and will be remitted to Kerala University Fund (KUF).

**Requirement of the Laboratory Support and Library Resources**

Students can avail the computers in the Central Computer Lab of the School of Distance Education which has continuous internet connectivity. The SDE has a separate Library facility.

**Cost Estimate of the programme and the Provisions (Base 2019-20)**

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**Quality Assurance Mechanism**

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**Expected Programme Outcome**

Towards the end of the programme, students will be able to:

- Develop the capacity to maintain a full-fledged library.
- Motivate the awareness of library
- Eligible for higher studies in library science
- Develop an understanding of various library management tools
- Eligible for applying national and international jobs in Libraries
- Develop self-confidence and awareness of general issues prevailing in the society
- Use library digital management system
- Process information by effective use of IT tools

**Note:** The programme structure is based on the present syllabus existing in the regular mode in the University of Kerala. The UG and PG syllabi in the regular mode in the University is currently being revised and is about to be finalized. SDE will adopt the revised syllabus as such when they are finalized for the 2020-21 admission. The SLMs will also be updated accordingly.
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ACADEMIC A. II. SECTION

2. Note dated 23.12.2019 from the Director, School of Distance Education, University of Kerala.

ORDER
The Programme Project Reports and Self Learning Materials of 26 programmes offered through School of Distance Education were approved during 2018-19 as per paper read (1) above.

The Director, School of Distance Education, vide paper read as (2) submitted the Programme Project Reports and Self Learning Materials of 26 programmes for approval w.e.f 2020-21.

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9. Bachelor of Science (Mathematics) 22. Master of Science (Mathematics)
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12. Bachelor of Library and Information Science (B.LiSc.) 25. Master of Library and Information Science (M.LiSc.)
13. Bachelor of Business Administration (B.B.A) 26. Master of Business Administration (M.B.A)

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice Chancellor to the Programme Project Report (PPR) and Self Learning Material (SLM) of 26 programmes offered through School of Distance Education with effect from the academic year 2020-21.

Orders are issued accordingly.

Sd/-
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Foundation Course 1 for BA/BSc
# Course Outline

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FIRST DEGREE PROGRAMME IN ENGLISH (CBCS System)
Foundation Course 1 for BA/BSc
PERSPECTIVES ON CONTEMPORARY ISSUES: EN 1121

No. of credits: 2

AIMS
1. To sensitize students to the major issues in the society and the world.
2. To encourage them to read literary pieces critically.

OBJECTIVES
On completion of the course, the students should be able to
1. have an overall understanding of some of the major issues in the contemporary world.
2. respond empathetically to the issues of the society.
3. read literary texts critically.

COURSE OUTLINE

Module I: Human Rights
(1) “Grim Realities, Hopeful Hues” – V. R. Krishna Iyer.
(2) “Poverty is the Greatest Threat” – N. R. Madhava Menon.
(3) “The Little Black Boy” – William Blake

Module II: The Gender Question
(4) “Violence against Women” – Gail Omvedt
(5) “The Goddess of Revenge” – Lalithambika Antharjanam
(6) “Nani” – Kamala Das

Module III: Globalisation
(7) “Lessons for Sustainable and Beneficial Coexistence” – Christabell P.J
(8) “Going Local” – Helena Norberg-Hodge
(9) “Freedom” – Balachandran Chullikkad

Module IV: Alcohol and Drug Abuse
(10) “The Bane of Alcoholism” – Adithi .N
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(12) “The Alcoholic at Dawn” – Jeet Thayil

COURSE MATERIAL

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social implications of substance abuse.
B.A. Hindi
(Complementary)

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Women Literature in Hindi
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Syllabus

HY 1141
Core 1
Credits-4

Semester I

METHODOLOGY AND PERSPECTIVES OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

Aims and Objectives

▲ The course intends to familiarize the students with the broad contours of Social Sciences and its methodology
▲ To familiarize the main concerns of Social Science disciplines
▲ To articulate the basic terminologies and theories prevalent in concerned disciplines
▲ Critically read popular and periodical literature from a Social Science perspective

Module I
History Its Nature and Practice
a) What is History – Definitions- Carr – Karl Marx- Carlyle – Croce.
b) Problems in the construction of history – Nationality and Bias – Objectivity – Plagiarism.
d) History and Social Sciences – need for interdisciplinary approach.

Module II
Introduction to Social Sciences
Social Sciences – its emergence and nature – relevance of the Social Science in understanding and solving contemporary problems – Discussions of basic principles and concepts

Module III
Objectivity in Social Sciences
Limits of Social Sciences and its practice – Sociology-Economics – Political Science – secular, communal and racial issues

Module IV
Understanding Social Structure
Caste, Class, Gender – Marxist and other sociological perspectives

Essential Readings:
   (Chapter: Social Science and its Methods).
   (Chapter: Through the Lens of Science).
3. Donatella Della Porta & Micheal Keating, Approaches and Methodologies in Social Sciences; Pluralistic

Gail Omvedt, Dalits and Democratic Revolutions, Dr.Ambedkar and Dalit Movements in Colonial India, Sage Publications New Delhi, 1994.
Module I
History Its Nature and Practice

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Objectives
Meaning and Definition of History
Definition of E.H Carr
Definition of Benedetto Croce
Definition of Thomas Carlyle
Definition of Karl Marx
Problems in the Construction of History
Bias and Historical Objectivity
Plagiarism
Methodology of Historians
D.D. Kosambi
Nationalist Historiography
R.C Majumdar
Romila Thapar
Irfan Habib
Subaltern Studies
Ranajith Guha
Ramachandra Guha
History and Social Sciences
History and Political Science
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Need for Inter-disciplinary Approach
Module II

Introduction to Social Sciences

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Development in the Ancient period
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Basic Principles Social Science
History
Archaeology
Geography
Political Science
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Basic Concepts of Social Science
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Economics
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   Demerits of Caste System
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   Class System
   Definition of Class
   Characteristics of class system
   Gender
   Gender Inequality in India
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UNIVERSITY OF KERALA PALAYAM CAMPUS THIRUVANANTHAPURAM - 695 034

B. A. Political Science
First Semester

Core Course I: PS 1141

Methodology and Perspectives of Social Sciences
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Semester I: Core Course I

PS 1141: Methodology and Perspectives of Social Sciences

Aim of the Course

The course intends to familiarize the students with the broad contours of Social Sciences and their methodology.

Objectives of the course

1. Identify the main concerns of Social Science disciplines.
2. Articulate the basic terminology and theories prevalent across disciplines.
3. Understand qualitative and quantitative models within the Social Sciences.
4. To learn to apply the methods and theories of Social Science to contemporary issues.
5. Critically read popular and periodical literature from a Social Science perspective.

MODULE I

Unit 1

Introduction to Social Sciences
Definition
Emergence of Social Sciences
Problem Solving Nature of Social Sciences

(An analysis of the disciplines that make up the Social Sciences with particular emphasis on their interrelationships. A study of source materials and library techniques as well as methods employed by social scientists. Relevance of the Social Sciences in understanding and solving contemporary problems at the regional, national and global levels. Discussion of basic principles and concepts - Basic epistemology of Social Sciences).

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Interdisciplinary Approach in Social Sciences – Relevance
Interdisciplinary Perspectives
Areas of Inter-relationships and Divergences

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Unit 3

Research Design
Meaning and Structure of Research Design

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B. A.
SOCIOLOGY
First Semester

SG 1141
Introduction to Social Sciences
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SG 1141 INTRODUCTION TO SOCIAL SCIENCES

Aim of the Course

The course intends to familiarize the students with the emergence of Sociology as a discipline, key sociological concepts and the significance of sociology

Objectives:

- Develop an understanding of historical roots of Social Science
- To create an awareness on the various concepts of sociology and its methods.
- To identify the relevance of Sociology as a discipline and its application

MODULE I: Social Science and its Methods

Social science – Social world seen through the lens of science, Steps in scientific methods and its applications, The method of social science, Common sense in social sciences, Objectivity – Problem of objectivity in Social Sciences.

MODULE II: Historical Roots of Social Sciences and Sociology

Socio-Political Background of Sociology-Period of Renaissance, Enlightenment, from philosophy to social science, Basic epistemology of Social Sciences. Emergence of Sociology as a Discipline, Sociology and its relation with other sciences- Anthropology, Economics, Political Science, History, Psychology and Law

MODULE III: Introduction to Sociology

Sociology – definition, aims, subject matter and scope. Basic concepts Society, Community, Association, Institutions, Social groups, Status and role, Culture, Social control, Social change, Structure and function, Norms and values.

MODULE IV: Significance of Sociology in contemporary society

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SEMESTER - I
Foundation Course I:
CO 1121 – METHODOLOGY AND PERSPECTIVES OF BUSINESS EDUCATION
No of institutional hours per week: 4  No of credits: 2

Aim of the course:
To provide the methodology for pursuing the teaching learning process with a perspective of higher learning in business education.

Course objective:
1. To understand business and its role in society.
2. To understand entrepreneurship and its heuristics
3. To comprehend the business environment.
4. To enable the students to undertake business activities
5. To provide a holistic, comprehensive and integrated perspective to business education.

Module 1
Economic system and business- meaning of economic system- its functioning – different economic systems and their features- capitalism, socialism, communalism, mixed economies- division of labour- innovation- flow of goods and services, circular flow of income- different forms of business organizations- individual and organized business –family and corporate business. Business for profit, business not for profit and business for non-profit. Business entities – individual, partnerships, co-operatives, trusts, undivided families, joint stock companies- private-public, joint ventures and MNCs etc. –(basic concepts only) (13 hrs)

Module 2
Business and Economic Development- Meaning of economic growth and development- measures of economic development- Role of Business in economic development- company, industry and economy interrelationship -role of public and private sectors, new economic Policy-liberalization- privatization and globalization. Emergence of” managerialism”. (a brief study only) (13 hrs)

Module 3
Establishing business- steps in establishing a business- environmental analysis- legal, physical, financial, social, economic, technical etc.- idea generation- procedures and formalities- commencement of business – entrepreneur- individual, group entrepreneurs- entrepreneur-entrepreneurship. Mobilization of financial resources for business – sources of funds- savings
factors affecting savings- loans and advances- equity and preference shares retained earnings and debt etc.- market for raising finance- money market and capital market- lending institutions- banks and non- banking institutions- payment to government – taxes, direct and indirect – state and national levels (a brief study only) (20 hrs)

Module 4

Trained man power for quality enhancement- role of trained manpower for quality at individual , family, organizational and national level- quality of life and quality of work life- the role of human resources management problems in small , medium and large organizations – use of technology in organization- (a brief study only) (13 hrs)

Module 5

Learning business information-Meaning of information – business information – methods and techniques of collecting and learning business information- observation, reading techniques – listening to lectures , note taking –seminars and workshops- student seminars – individual and team presentations- conferences and symposiums- filed studies- case studies and project reports etc. (a brief study only) (13 hrs)

Books recommended
4. N.D Kapoor Business Law Sulthan Chand & Sons
5. Francis Cherunilam, Business Environment - Text and Cases, Himalaya Publishers
7. P Suba Rao, Essentials of HRM, Himalaya publishers New Delhi,
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No. of Credits: 4  
No. of instructional Hours: 5 Hours per week  
Course Objective: To acquaint students with the fundamentals of Human Resource Management and the recent developments in Human Resource Management.

Module 1
Introduction- Definition- Scope and significance- Approaches to HRM- Personnel management Vs Human Resource Management- functions of HRM- role of human resource manager- Systems approach to HRM (15hrs)

Module 2
Human Resource Planning (HRP) - Need and importance- process of HRP- Job analysis- Job description- Job design- Recruitment – meaning- sources- Selection- meaning and importance- steps in selection procedure- interview- types of interview- Induction- Placement (20 hrs)

Module 3
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3. What are arrays? How are arrays organized in memory?
4. Write the syntax of structure.
5. Explain the concept of pointers.
6. What is the use of period operator?
7. What is the difference between a while loop and do while loop?
8. Describe the selection constructs in C with suitable examples.
9. What are header files?
10. What are the fundamental data types in C?

(10*2=20 marks)

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11. Write a program to check whether a number is prime or not.
12. Write a program to print first n Fibonacci numbers.
13. a) What are arrays? How are they useful in programs?
    b) Write a program to multiply two matrices.
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14. Write a program to find the sum of digits of given number.

15. Write a program to copy the contents of a file into another.

16. Write short notes on:
   a) Bitwise operators
   b) Library Functions
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17. Write a program to sort a set of names.

18. Explain different stages of program development.

19. What are the basic operations entertained in a file? Explain the functions rewind() and fseek().
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Module–II: Hardware: CPU, Memory, Input devices, output devices. Memory units:

RAM (SDRAM, DDR RAM, RDRAM etc. feature wise comparison only); ROM-different types: Flash memory; Auxiliary storage: Magnetic devices, Optical Devices; Floppy, Hard disk, Memory stick, CD, DVD, CD-Writer; Input devices - keyboard, mouse, scanner, speech input devices, digital camera, Touch screen, Joystick, Optical readers, bar code reader; Output devices: Display device, size and resolution; CRT, LCD; Printers: Dot-matrix, Inkjet, Laser; Plotters, Sound cards & speaker.

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Model Question Paper
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SECTION –A

Very short answer type
One word to maximum of one sentence. Answer all questions (10x1=10 Marks)

1. Information means ------------data.
2. ---------------Consist of instructions that control the computers.
3. Booting means--------------.
4. Which is the fastest storage element in a computer?
5. HTTP means--------------.
6. What are optical readers?
7. Write the name of a Free Operating System.
8. What is an internet browser?
9. What is Sound card?
10. What is RDRAM?

SECTION B

Short Answer
Answer any 8 of the following.(not to exceed one paragraph) (8x2=16 Marks)

11. What was the contribution of John Von Neumann to the field of computing?
12. What is digital signals?
13. How is EPROM different from PROM?
14. Define Database. (P.T.O)
15. What is a CRT monitor.

16. What is the primary purpose of operating system?

17. What do you mean by ‘search engines’? Give examples.

18. What is LAN?

19. What do you mean by open source?

20. Write a notes on digitizers.

21. What is mean by refresh rate of a monitor?

22. What is a router?

SECTION- C

Short essay:

Not to exceed 120 words. Answer any six questions. Each Question carries four marks.

(6x4=24 Marks)

23. Discuss the characteristics of computers.

24. Differentiate between main memory and secondary storages.

25. Write a brief notes on WWW.

26. Compare CRT and LCD monitors.

27. Write a note on features of email software.

28. Explain different types of internet connections.

29. Discuss the use of Latex.

30. Compare CRT and LCD monitors.

31. What are Super Computers? Give an example.

SECTION- D

Long essay:

Answer any two questions. Each question carries 15 marks.

(2x15=30 Marks)

32. Illustrate the application of computers in any five fields.
33. Write a notes on:
   a) internet connections
   b) Application Software.
   c) E-mail software features.

34. Discuss various Output devices and Input devices.

35. Discuss the classification of operating system in detail.
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Unit 3. Facet Analysis and the theoretical basis of Colon Classification – Postulates used in the CC, Facets, Principles of facet sequence, Postulational procedure, Modes of formation of subjects.

Unit 4. Organization of Bibliographic Files: Concept of Surrogates, Structure and Functions of bibliographic records, Types of bibliographic files (Catalogues, bibliographies, indexes) and their functions. Functional Requirements of Bibliographic records (FRBR). Library catalogues and their functions, Classified catalogues and Dictionary catalogue.

Unit 5. Bibliographic record formats: ISO 2709, MARC 21, CCF, ISBD.

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Unit I-Research: Definition, meaning and research as the application of scientific method, Importance of research in managerial decision making; the Research Process and types of Research, Defining the Research Problem: Problem Formulation and Statement of Research Problem

Unit II-Research Design: Exploratory, Descriptive, Diagnostic/Conclusive and Experimental Researches - Details and applications, Operational and administrative structure for research, Sampling and Sampling Designs.

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Unit V-Reporting of Research - Types of Reports - Substance of Reports - Format of Report, Presentation of Reports.

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