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### Affidavit

*The University of Kerala, Senate House Campus, Palayam, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala – 695 034, undertakes to abide by the following terms and conditions duly approved by the statutory bodies of the university;*

*And accordingly*

*We, Dr. K.S Anil Kumar, Registrar and Dr. R. Vasanthagopal Professor & Director, School of Distance & Online Education/Centre for Online Education of University of Kerala, Senate House Campus, Palayam, Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala – 695 034, 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 ~~for 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 2021-22.
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.



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3. That the Higher Educational Institution is eligible in all respect to apply for offering programmes through; a) Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode, OR 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 along with 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



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- e) Guidelines on Programme Project Report (PPR) : Annexure-V
  - f) Quality Assurance Guidelines of Learning Material in MultipleMedia 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 (z) 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).**



  
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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**).

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.

14. That all the information given by the Higher Education Institution in the proposal submitted to UGC is complete, true and correct and the deponents are fully aware of the consequences mentioned in relevant clauses, if the Higher Education Institution fails to abide by 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.



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*[Signature]*  
DEPONENT(S)  
REGISTRAR

Verification:  
We, the above deponents, do hereby certify on 29/07/2021 at Thiruvananthapuram that the contents mentioned above are correct and true statements.

**Dr. R. VASANTHAGOPA**  
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DEPONENT(S)  
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Solemnly affirmed and signed before me by the deponent, who is known to me, on this the 29th day of July 2021 at my office at Vanchiyoor, Thiruvananthapuram.



**ATTESTED**  
*[Signature]*  
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