## **University of Kerala Institute of Distance Education**

## **Learner Support Centres: Criteria for Selection**

In response to our notification to start Learner Support Centers within Kerala we received 137 applications from different parts of the state. A face to face session to short list the applications was conducted between 13—20 January 2012. One application was rejected and 7 applicants did not turn up for the presentation. During this session 129 applicants presented their claim for the LSC before the selection committee out of which 3 were Aided Colleges, 17 Aided Higher Secondary Schools, 3 Quasi Government Organizations, 23 Societies, 53 Trusts and 29 private Educational agencies 1 applicant did not produce documents for verification. The Selection Committee has formulated the following criteria for ranking the applications:

- 1. **Type of management**: Maximum score: 25. Government Institutions, Quasi Government institutions, Aided Colleges, Higher Secondary Schools affiliated to the CBSE, ISE or State Syllabus will get 25. Trusts, Educational Cooperative Societies, Charitable Societies will get 15 and Private Institutions will get 10.
- 2. **Experience of the Institution in the field of Higher Education:** 1 score per year to a maximum of 10.
- 3. **Classroom facility**: Considering the number of classrooms 1 score per classroom will be given. Maximum score: 10.
- 4. **Feasibility of location**—accessibility, road connectivity will be considered—10 scores will be given to Institutions by the side of Main Road, 7 scores for those near Bye Road and 5 scores for those near Lane. Maximum score: 10.
- 5. **Building**: Institutions functioning in their own building will be credited with 20 scores, those institutions functioning in buildings taken under registered lease will get 15 and Institutions functioning in rented buildings will get 10.
- 6. **Financial stability** is assessed by considering the immovable assets as well as the balance sheet for the last financial year. Those Institutions having more than 1 crore will get a score of 10, 50 lakhs and above will get 8, 25 lakhs and above will get 6 and 10 lakhs and above will get 4 and below 10 lakhs 0. Maximum score: 10.
- 7. **Feeder institutions** like Plus Two Schools and Colleges within a radius of 5 km are credited with scores in the following rate; 4 or above= 5, 2 or 3= 3, 1 only =1.
- 8. **Overall performance** of the Institution will be credited with 10 scores. Score will be awarded in proportion to the total score out of 90.

The detailed score sheet is attached with this. Those who have complaints or suggestions regarding the score awarded to them shall submit their complaints along with supporting documents on or before 5 p.m., 30 January 2012 to the Registrar, University of Kerala. The Selection Committee will consider the requests and take appropriate decision before finalizing the list.