

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT OF HIGHER EDUCATION

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UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 1245
TO BE ANSWERED ON 24th JULY, 2017

Distance Education

1245. PROF. SAUGATA ROY:

Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the University Grants Commission (UGC) has issued new directions on Distance Education and Distance Education Centres of various Universities;
- (b) if so, the details thereof; and
- (c) the reasons for issue of new rules on distance education?

ANSWER

**MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
(DR. MAHENDRA NATH PANDEY)**

(a) & (b): Yes, Madam. The UGC (Open and Distance Learning) Regulations, 2017 has been issued. This has also been notified in the Official Gazette on 23.06.2017. It is available on University Grants Commission's website i.e. <http://www.ugc.ac.in/oldpdf/regulations/distance%20education%20regulations.pdf>

(c): These Regulations would maintain the standards of instruction for the grant of degree at the under graduate and post graduate levels through Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode of education in higher education system of the country.
