

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA**

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DISTANCE EDUCATION PROGRAMME UNDER ODL
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

- (a) whether some private universities have applied for distance education programme under the Open and Distance Learning (ODL) system;
- (b) if so, the details thereof, University and State-wise including Odisha and Andhra Pradesh;
- (c) whether the Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) has also submitted any proposal in this regard; and
- (d) if so, the details thereof and the time by which the permission is likely to be granted to these universities?

Answer

MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SMRITI ZUBIN IRANI)

- (a) & (b): Yes, Madam. As per the information furnished by the University Grants Commission (UGC), the State-wise list of Private Universities including Odisha and Andhra Pradesh (State Private universities and Deemed to be Universities) which have applied for distance education programmes under the Open and Distance Learning (ODL), is given at Annexure.
- (c): No, Madam.
- (d): UGC has informed that all pending proposals for recognition including those of State Private Universities and Deemed to be Universities will be evaluated and sanctioned based on the UGC's new ODL Regulations, 2014.