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RTI REQUEST DETAILS

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Request Pertains to :			
Date: 15th October, 2018			
Subject: Request for Information under Right to Information Act, 2005 (Act No. 22 of 2005)-Regarding.			
With reference to the subject cited above, I request you to provide the following information under RTI 2005 Section 6(I) against Application dated 15th October, 2018.			
I, hereby, declare that-			
I am Citizen of India and I am asking the information as Citizen and information sought in this application will be used in the best of the Public Interest.			
Information Sought :			
In line of the above, please provide the information as questioned below:			
As POWER GRID CORPORATION OF INDIA LIMITED published the advertisement for the post of ET (HR) through UGC NET 2018 vide Advt. No. CC/04/2018 dated 13.03.2018 in which the eligibility criteria in terms of Essential Educational Qualification is-			
Two years full time Post Graduate Degree/ Diploma/ MBA in HR/ Personnel Management & Industrial Relations/ Social Work (with specialization in Personnel Management & Industrial Relations)/ HRM and Labour Relations/ Labour and Social Welfare from recognized University/ Institute with not less than 60% marks.			
On the other hand, University Grants Commission (UGC), Ministry of			

Human Resource Development (MHRD) and Department of Public Enterprise (DPE) is directed time to time regarding the recognition of Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode of degrees for the purpose of employment as same as degrees on regular mode while making recruitment in Central Govt. and CPSEs Jobs.

So, kindly provide me the information why POWER GRID is not following the guidelines issued by MHRD (as formulating the National Policy on Education and to ensure that it is implemented in letter and spirit), DPE (as following the recruitment rules defined by DPE) and UGC (as POWER GRID is taking the valid score of UGC NET 2018 but not adhering the guidelines of UGC regarding recognition of ODL mode degrees for the purpose of employment). Please specify the reason.

It is therefore, requested you to please consider this issue on priority basis since it is all about the question of National Importance regard to degrees recognised by Statutory authority for the impetus to zillion of students who pursue their ODL education with the motive of Learning by Excellence.

I shall be highly grateful if you could kindly provide the information as soon as possible and within time frame as stipulated under RTI Act, 2005 in the aforestated matter.

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The Government of India has envisaged a greater role for the ODL Education System. In view of the foregoing and in pursuance of the directions from time to time in past issued by UGC, MHRD and DPE regarding the recognition of ODL mode degrees for the purpose of employment in CPSEs and Central Government Jobs.

Therefore, I submit the following for your kind perusal and ready reference i.e.

1. UGC has notified regarding the Equivalence of Degrees awarded by Open and Distance Learning (ODL) Institutions at par with Conventional Universities/Institutions vide **F. No. UGC/DEB/2013 on 14th October, 2013**.
2. **The Gazette of India, Part I-Sec. 1, dated 25th July, 2015** issued by Ministry of Human Resource Development dated 10th June, 2015.
3. **The Gazette of India, Part III-Section 4 dated 23rd June, 2017** issued by University Grants Commission (UGC).
4. Public Notice vide **F. No. 1-9/2018 (DEB-I) dated 23rd February, 2018** issued by University Grants Commission (UGC).
5. **D.O. No. 4-177/2015-DL dated 01.05.2018** issued by Ministry of Human Resource Development to Department of Public Enterprises. **(Copy Enclosed)**
6. **Office Memorandum dated 25th May, 2018** issued by **Department of Public Enterprises to All Administrative Ministries/Departments of CPSEs. (Copy Enclosed)**
7. Recruitment Notification of **Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) for ETs vide Advt. No. 1/2018 (R&P) through UGC NET 2018** (Recognised Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode of education as Essential Educational Criteria for the purpose of Recruitment in their organization).
8. Recruitment Notification of **Hindustan Copper Limited (HCL) for ETs vide Estt/1/2005/2018** also recognised ODL mode of education by providing that the Equivalent Qualification shall also be considered as per Government/UGC/AIU/AICTE guidelines. This will facilitate many aspiring students to take up jobs in Public Sector Organizations through its exemplary step in the recruitment process.
9. Recognised Universities in the Country as on 23.08.2018 (as per UGC) listed on UGC's website:
<http://www.ugc.ac.in/oldpdf/consolidated%20list%20All%20universities.pdf>.

R. Subrahmanyam, IAS
Secretary



Ministry of Human Resource Development
Department of Higher Education
Government of India

D.O. No.4-177/2015-DL

01.5.2018

Dear Madam,

This Ministry has been receiving many complaints about PSUs not recognising degrees/diplomas acquired in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from UGC recognised Universities for the purpose of employment.

2. In this regard, it is mentioned that Government of India has consistently maintained that degree acquired through ODL mode are valid for employment in Govt. and PSUs. A copy of MHRD Gazette Notification is attached. The University Grants Commission has also issued guidelines/circular/public notices from time to time in past for awareness of general public and others on the recognition / equivalency of the ODL degrees with the degrees acquired from regular universities. In this regard, UGC has issued a Public Notice dated 23rd February, 2018.

3. However, for the programmes for which AICTE is the regulator, its approval for ODL courses is necessary. In brief, AICTE does not recognize ODL degrees in subject areas other than management and information technology. But for all other non-professional courses/degrees acquired by individuals from the UGC recognised ODL programmes are valid degrees for appointment to post and services in the Central Government & PSUs.

4. In view of above, I would therefore, request you to kindly issue the necessary instructions to all the Central PSUs and Public Enterprises to take cognizance of the various notifications / circulars / public notices of MHRD and UGC regarding the recognition of ODL mode degrees for the purpose of employment.

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~~Dr. [Signature]~~
21/5/18

with reply

Yours sincerely,

(R. Subrahmanyam)

Encl: As above

Smt. Seema Bahuguna
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Ministry of Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises
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21/5/18

DR (RP)

No. DPE-GM-12/0001/2015-GM-FTS-3756
Government of India
Ministry of Industries and Heavy Industries & Public Enterprises
Department of Public Enterprises


Public Enterprises Bhawan,
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Dated 23 May, 2018

OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: - Recruitment Process followed in CPSEs.

The undersigned is directed to refer to Secretary, M/o Human Resource Development (MHRD), D/o Higher Education DO No.4-177/2015-DL dated 1st May 2018 (copy enclosed) regarding non-recognition by CPSE of degrees / diplomas acquired in Open and Distance Learning (ODL) mode from UGC recognized Universities for the purpose of employment.

2. As recruitment to the below Board level posts are done by Board of CPSEs, the administrative Ministries / Departments of the CPSEs are requested to advise their respective CPSEs to take cognizance of the various notifications / circulars / public notices of MHRD and UGC regarding the recognition of ODL mode degree for the purpose of employment while making recruitment in CPSEs.


(J. N. Prasad)
Director
Tel: 24360736

To :

All administrative Ministries / Departments of CPSEs.

Copy to:

1. Chief Executives of all CPSEs.
2. Secretary, D/o Higher Education
3. NIC, DPE with a request to upload on DPE's website
4. Guard file