

UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

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Vice Chancellors of Universities Rectors of Campuses Directors of Institutes

APPLICABILITY OF ONLINE POSTGRADUATE DEGREES FOR RECRUITMENT, CONFIRMATION AND PROMOTION OF ACADEMIC STAFF

Your reference is invited to Commission Circulars, No. 721 of 21.11.1997, No. 996 of 09.10.2012, No. 04/2014 of 01.04.2014, No. 05/2015 of 28.05.2015, No. 08/2016 of 14.06.2016 and No. 08/2016(i) of 17.11.2016, as amended, related to schemes of recruitment of the academic staff.

- 02. The Commission at its 968th meeting held on 20.07.2017, following a recommendation made by the Standing Committee on Postgraduate Studies and Research of the UGC, decided that the Postgraduate Degrees obtained through online learning mode cannot be considered as acceptable qualifications for the recruitment, confirmation and promotion of academic staff members.
- 03. This decision will come into effect from September 15, 2017.

04. Please take action accordingly.

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Chairman

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