

GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA

DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE & FARMERS' EMPOWERMENT

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NOTIFICATION

Subject- Guidelines for Opening of new Colleges in Agriculture and Allied Subjects by Private Educational Institutions.

1. Standard Operating Procedure:

- (i) Agriculture and Allied Subjects are professional courses and have their own Departments.
 - (ii) Any Private Educational Institutions seeking permission/recognition/ affiliation for the opening of new College on Agriculture and Allied subjects will be guided by the provisions of the Orissa Education Act, 1969, Orissa Education (Establishment, Recognition & Management of Private Colleges) Rules, 1991/Odisha Professional Education and Institutions (Regulation of Admission and Fixation Fee) (OPEI) ACT,2007/Veterinary Council of India Minimum Standards of Veterinary Education (Bachelor of Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry- Degree Course) Regulations 2016/ guidelines of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), 2016.
 - (iii) Constitution of Managing Committee/Governing Body is to be made as per the provisions of section 7 of the Orissa Education Act, 1969, corresponding rules and subsequent modification by Government if any.
 - (iv) The Private Colleges / Institutions in Agriculture and Allied subjects should be affiliated to a University.
 - (v) The College/Institute is required to be accredited by Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)/Veterinary Council of India (VCI) through its Accreditation Board for Quality Assurance within the time period specified by Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)/Veterinary Council of India (VCI).
 - (vi) There should be a fair fee structure for Private Colleges/Institutions of Agriculture. Fee structure may be decided by the Affiliating University or as may be decided by Government as per the provisions of Law.
2. For infrastructure and staff, the guidelines prescribed by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)/ Veterinary Council of India (VCI) shall be referred and followed.
 3. For Faculty recruitment, the guidelines prescribed by University Grant Commission (UGC)/ Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)/ Veterinary Council of India (VCI) shall be followed.
 4. **Admission and Intake capacity:** All the private affiliated Agriculture Colleges/Institutions will take students from the common merit list of an entrance examination conducted by the Affiliating University keeping in view the reservation policy of the State Government. The admission procedure to all

affiliated Private Colleges/Institutions in Agriculture and Allied subjects will be in accordance with the practice in vogue in the Affiliating University or as may be decided by Government, as per provisions of Law. Intake capacity to Agriculture and Allied courses will be as per Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)/Veterinary Council of India (VCI) guidelines.

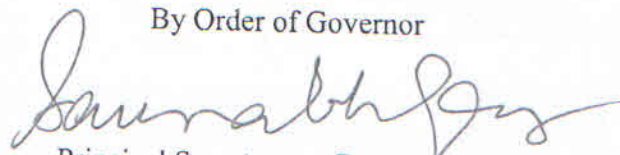
5. **Academic Standard and Regulation on Resident Instruction:** Uniformity in agricultural education, semester system of teaching should be mandatory and the Course curriculum and academic regulations in all private Colleges/Institutions should be in accordance with Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)/ Veterinary Council of India (VCI) regulations. The academic calendar in affiliated private Agriculture Colleges/Institutions should be the same as followed by the Affiliating University.
6. **Examination, Evaluation and Invigilation:** The academic calendar including registration and examination schedules of affiliated Colleges/Institutions will be the same as that of the Affiliating University.
7. **Award of Degree:** Award of the transcript and degree/certificate, etc. to students of affiliated Colleges/Institutions will rest entirely with the Affiliating University.

Procedure for issue of "No Objection Certificate (NOC)" for opening of new College/Institution in Agriculture & Allied Subjects:-

8. (i). **Application:-** The Private Educational Institution intending to establish a new College/ Institution in B.Sc (Hons.)Agriculture and Allied subjects have to apply to the Department of Agriculture and Farmers' Empowerment (DA&FE)/ Fisheries and Animal Resources Development (F&ARD) Department, as the case may be, as per Orissa Education (Establishment, Recognition & Management of Private Colleges) Rules 1991 with self-declaration/certification.
- (ii). **Scrutiny:-** On receipt of the application, DA&FE/F&ARD shall scrutinise the application along with the documents submitted by the applicant College/Institution. NOC will be granted based upon self-declaration/certification and geo-tagged photographs. However, wherever considered necessary, A&FE/F&ARD Department may direct for an inspection of the College/ Institutions.
- (iii). **Issue of NOC:-** DA&FE/F&ARD shall issue NOC in favour of College/Institution with the stipulation of the following conditions:
 1. The College/Institution shall not admit students more than the approved intake capacity.
 2. No financial assistance/ grant in any case in any form will be given by the State Government. The College/ Institution shall have to bear all the recurring and non-recurring expenditure for all time to come.
 3. The State Government shall not give any grant for building etc. at any time. The building intended for educational occupancy will not be used for any hazardous occupancy.

4. The State Government shall not take over the charge of College/Institution.
5. The private College/ Institution shall be affiliated to a University.
6. All the conditions of affiliation prescribed by the Affiliating University will have to be fulfilled by the College/ Institution.
7. The College/Institution is required to be accredited by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)/ Veterinary Council of India (VCI) through its Accreditation Board for Quality Assurance within the time period specified by Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR)/ Veterinary Council of India (VCI).
8. The provisions of the Orissa Education Act, 1969, Orissa Education (Establishment, Recognition & Management of Private Colleges) Rules, 1991/ Odisha Professional Education and Institutions(Regulation of Admission and Fixation Fee) (OPEI) ACT,2007/ Veterinary Council of India Minimum Standards of Veterinary Education(Bachelor of Veterinary Science and Animal Husbandry- Degree Course) Regulations 2016/guideline of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), 2016 along with directives issued by Government of Odisha will need to be strictly followed.
9. The College/Institution will provide Geo-tagged photographs for the infrastructure and self- undertaking for manpower details for faculty positions.
10. The Government of Odisha can impose any other condition(s) at any time, which shall be binding for the College/Institution in this regard.
11. Any contravention of the above-stated conditions may invite rejection/ withdrawal of the "No Objection Certificate" and other punitive actions as per Law.
12. Deemed Universities/State Private Universities established under Central/State Act need not go through these procedures. Issue of NOC for opening of new courses of Agriculture and Allied subjects for them may be permitted with an instruction to follow the guidelines of Indian Council of Agricultural Research(ICAR) / Veterinary Council of India (VCI) as the case may be.
13. Department of Agriculture and Farmers' Empowerment (DA&FE), in consultation with if needed with F&ARD Department, may effect any changes in these guidelines/procedures whenever such changes are considered necessary.

By Order of Governor


Principal Secretary to Government

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