

No. 11-TR(18)/2004

Date : October 21, 2005

To

All Institutes conducting IGNOU course.

Subject: Approval for conduct of One year Diploma in Nautical Science leading to B.Sc Nautical Science (IGNOU).

Sir,

I am to state that this Directorate had conveyed decision regarding conduct of above mentioned course to those institute who were conducting erstwhile 3 months Deck Cadet course vide this Directorate letter No. 11-TR(8)/2004 dated 17.06.2004. This was conveyed subsequent to discussions held during meeting with such institutes on 04.06.2004 and new pattern of above mentioned course, in consultation with IGNOU, commenced w.e.f. 01.08.2004.

2. Subsequently the institutes were required to forward proposals to this Directorate for conduct of One year Diploma in Nautical Science leading to B.Sc Nautical Science (IGNOU) course. Accordingly, joint inspection of all these institutes were required to be carried out by the respective Academic Councils along with IGNOU representatives. However, it has been noted that such inspections could be carried out for very few institutes. Thus, the Directorate had to grant "provisional approvals" for conduct of batches, on case-to-case basis, to the institutes, during August 2004, January 2005 and August 2005 batches.

3. It is intended that prior to commencement of January 2006, the joint inspections of all the remaining institutes should be completed and final approvals for annual capacities of the institutes, for the course, should be granted by the Directorate. It is also intended that the present annual capacity, in respect of the institutes, would be maintained by the Directorate and accordingly strength of students will be allocated for the batch commencing January 2006. The academic councils have been issued directives accordingly, under intimation to IGNOU with regard to the conduct of course w.e.f. 01st January 2006.

4. In view of above, it is requested that deficiencies noted by the Academic Councils during earlier inspections, if already carried out, may kindly be made good and your readiness for conduct of course may kindly be confirmed. In case the inspection has not been done so far, the institute be kept ready for inspection at short notice. It is also intimated that no proposal for increase in capacity would be entertained from the institute during the interim period.

5. It is also requested that your readiness regarding compliance for bench marking as promulgated vide Training Circular No. 21 of 2005 dated 12.07.2005, be intimated to this Directorate at the earliest.

Yours faithfully,

Sd/-

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