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To,

1. The Secretary to Hon'ble Governor of Goa & Chancellor of Goa University, Raj Bhavan, Dona Paula, Goa.
2. The Director, Directorate of Higher Education, Govt. of Goa, IInd floor, SCERT Building, Alto-Porvorim-Goa PIN 403521.
3. All the Deans of Schools of Studies.
4. All the Directors of recognized institutions.
5. All the Vice Deans of Schools of Studies.
6. All the Deans/Principals of affiliated Colleges.
7. All the Divisional/Sectional Heads of University Offices.
8. The President, University College Teachers Association, Goa C/o Fr. Agnel College of Arts and Commerce, Pilar, Goa - 403601.
9. The Secretary, Goa University Teacher's Association.
10. The Registrar, High Court of Bombay at Goa, Penha De Franca, Porvorim, Bardez-Goa. Pin:403521.
11. Senior Adv. A.A. Agni, University Counsel, Navelkar Trade Centre, 2nd Floor, Opp. Azad Maidan, Panaji, Goa.
12. The Assistant Registrar to Registrar.
13. The P.S. to Vice-Chancellor.
14. The Office copy.
15. The Guard File.

Sub: Ordinance OA-41 relating to the SWAYAM Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses based on UGC Regulations, 2021.

Sir/Madam,

I am to forward herewith a copy of the Ordinance OA-41 relating to the SWAYAM Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses based on UGC Regulations, 2021. This Ordinance OA-41 has been approved by the Hon'ble Chancellor of Goa University on 05th September, 2023 under Statute SA-2(6) as amended. The Ordinance OA-41 is approved by the Academic Council in its meeting held on 05th May, 2023 and the Vice-Chancellor has approved it on behalf of the Executive Council on 28th June, 2023.

Yours sincerely,

(Prof. V.S. Nadkarni)
REGISTRAR

Encl: As above.

OA-41 Ordinance relating to the SWAYAM Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses based on UGC Regulations, 2021.

OA-41.1 Application:

Students who are enrolled in Goa University and Affiliated Colleges.

OA-41.2 Definitions

- (a) "Academic Council" means the Academic Council of Goa University.
- (b) "Academic Session" means the duration of twelve months as defined in the Academic Calendar of Goa University.
- (c) "Course-Coordinator" means a Faculty Member and Subject Expert belonging to a Higher Education Institution, identified and entrusted with the task of developing and delivering SWAYAM Courses in a given subject by a National Coordinator;
- (d) "Credit" as defined in Ordinances of relevant Academic Programme.
- (e) "Four Quadrant Approach" means the e-learning system that has the following components:
 - i. Quadrant-I, shall be an e-Tutorial containing video and audio content in an organised form, animations, simulations, virtual labs;
 - ii. Quadrant-II, shall be an e-Content containing e-Books or glossary, case study, frequently asked questions, transcriptions of video lectures, and any other study materials;
 - iii. Quadrant-III, shall be a discussion forum on doubts, opinions and comments, with Course-Coordinators and others;
 - iv. Quadrant-IV, shall be a self-assessment process that shall contain multiple choice questions, problems, quizzes, assignments and solutions;
- (f) "Host Institution" means the Higher Education Institution, to which the Course-Coordinator offering the course belongs, duly recognised by SWAYAM.
- (g) "Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs)" mean such Online Courses which are developed as per the pedagogy following the four quadrant approach.
- (h) "National Coordinator" means a National level agency or institution designated as such by the Central Government, for the purpose of coordinating the production of the Online Courses.
- (i) "Parent Institution" means Goa University.
- (j) "Proctored Examination" means the Examination conducted under the supervision of an approved person or by technology enabled proctoring, which ensures the identity of the test taker and the integrity of the test taking environment, either in

pen-paper mode, or in computer-based testing mode, or in full-fledged online mode, as may be permissible.

- (k) "SWAYAM Board" means the Board constituted by the Government of India in the Ministry of Education to oversee Massive Open Online Courses, SWAYAM and SWAYAM Prabha Programmes.
- (l) "SWAYAM Guidelines" means the Guidelines for developing Online Courses for SWAYAM Programmes issued by the Government of India and as amended from time to time.
- (m) "SWAYAM Platform" means an Information Technology Platform developed and made functional by the Government of India.

OA-41.3 Modalities of Implementing Online Credit Courses

- (a) The schedule of SWAYAM Credit Courses shall be aligned with the Academic Calendar of Goa University.
- (b) The SWAYAM Credit Courses shall be developed, delivered and assessed only by the approved Course-Coordinator.
- (c) The Course and Course-Coordinator shall be identified only by the National Coordinator in accordance with the SWAYAM Guidelines with approval of the SWAYAM Board.
- (d) Only the Host Institution shall issue the Certificate with Grades after the End Term Proctored Examination for Credit Transfer.
- (e) The concerned Board of Studies shall recommend courses notified by the SWAYAM platform for the Semester within four weeks from the date of notification.
- (f) Students are permitted to opt for SWAYAM courses only in lieu of Electives Courses and subject to a maximum of forty per cent of the total Programme Credits.
- (g) Goa University and its Affiliated Colleges shall ensure that physical infrastructure (computer facilities, library, etc.) essential for pursuing SWAYAM Online Credit Courses are made available for free and in adequate measure.
- (h) Goa University and its Affiliated Colleges shall designate a Faculty Member as a Mentor to guide the students from registration to completion of the SWAYAM Online Credit Course.

OA-41.4 Evaluation and Certification of Credit-Based MOOCs

- (a) The Host Institution and the Course Coordinator shall be responsible for evaluating the student registered.

- (b) The marks/grades earned by the student shall be the final marks/grades for that Course.
- (c) The student shall be responsible to submit in time the marks/grades received on completion of the SWAYAM Online Credit-Course.
- (d) University shall incorporate the marks/grades obtained by the student in the Mark/Grade Sheet for the Final Award of the Degree or Diploma.
