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Subject: Implementation of Guidelines on "Fostering Social Responsibility & Community Engagement in Higher Education Institutions in India 2.0" – Reg.

Respected Madam/Sir,

This is in continuation of UGC's letter D.O.No.1-4/2018(UBA) dated 28th February 2022 regarding inviting feedback and suggestions on the draft National Curriculum Framework and Guidelines on Fostering Social Responsibility and Community-Engagement in HEIs as part of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) in India. Accordingly, feedback and suggestions received from the stakeholders have been appropriately incorporated, and the final Guidelines on Fostering Social Responsibility and Community Engagement in HEIs in India 2.0 as approved by the Commission is attached.

As the Guidelines recommend teaching of a two-credit course on Community Engagement and Social Responsibility, the UGC identified seven Regional Centres for Capacity Building of faculty as Master Trainers (MTs) for Community Based Participatory Research (CBPR) under UBA. Towards this, UGC has conducted two online training programmes for nominated faculty members from the seven centres on January 27 and February 15, 2022, and three day face to face training programmes conducted in each of the seven UGC Regional Centres from April to July 2022 as supervised by UGC Subject Expert Group (SEG) resource persons and supported by local resource persons so that trained faculty members can start teaching the course from the next academic session.

To facilitate the effective implementation of the two-credit course on Community Engagement and Social Responsibility, HEIs are requested to take appropriate action as per the enclosed Guidelines in their respective HEIs. The UGC has developed a MOOC course on Community Engagement and Social Responsibility which will be shortly available on the SWAYAM portal (https://swayam.gov.in/). Looking forward to your active cooperation and support to instil the concept of Community Engagement and Social Responsibility in HEIs, a major recommendation of NEP 2020.

Yours sincerely,

Rainish Jain

Encl: as above

To,

The Vice-Chancellors of all Universities and the Principals of all Colleges

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