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Subject: List of MOOCs currently offered by UGC, NPTEL, IGNOU, CEC, IIM-B on SWAYAM Platform (www.swayam.gov.in) for July 2023 Semester.

Dear Madam/Sir.

This is in continuation of the UGC's even letter dated 6th July, 2023 regarding the registration opening of UGC SWAYAM MOOCs for the revival of India as a Global Centre of Buddhist Culture and Tourism i.e. (i. History of Indian Buddhism, ii. Abhidhamma (Pali) iii. Buddhist Philosophy iv. Buddhist Tourism on the SWAYAM Platform (https://swayam.gov.in/UGC).

I am delighted to inform you that considering the huge response from the learners across nation, UGC has also opened the registration for the SWAYAM Course on "Community Engagement and Social Responsibility" which is a major recommendation of NEP 2020, as part of Unnat Bharat Abhiyan (UBA) in India on the SWAYAM Platform (https://swayam.gov.in/UGC).

Further, I am sharing (enclosed) the list of MOOCs, which are ready to be offered by UGC, NPTEL, IGNOU, CEC, IIM-B, on SWAYAM Platform for <u>July Semester</u> <u>2023</u> and may also be seen on the SWAYAM Portal at:- https://swayam.gov.in. The details of these MOOCs include the start/end date/number of credits/week duration and SWAYAM Platform course link.

I urge all HEIs to consider recognising and accepting the SWAYAM courses offered on the SWAYAM platform. By incorporating SWAYAM courses into the university's curriculum and academic framework, we can collectively achieve several positive outcomes:

- Enhanced Learning Opportunities: SWAYAM provides access to a diverse range of courses, ensuring students can explore topics beyond their core curriculum, thereby fostering a broader perspective and promoting interdisciplinary knowledge.
- 2. Flexibility and Inclusivity: By accepting SWAYAM courses, HEIs would extend opportunities for students who may face geographical, financial, or other barriers in pursuing conventional classroom-based learning.

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- 3. **Leveraging Technology:** Embracing SWAYAM courses would showcase the university's commitment to leveraging technology for the benefit of students and faculty alike, encouraging a blended learning approach.
- Quality Assurance: The SWAYAM courses are designed and delivered by eminent faculty members from reputed institutions, ensuring high-quality content and academic rigor.
- 5. Credit Transfer and Recognition of Prior Learning: By acknowledging SWAYAM courses, HEIs can enable students to transfer credits earned through the SWAYAM platform into their academic records as per the University Grants Commission (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds) Regulations, 2021 and also facilitate recognition of prior learning, encouraging lifelong learning.
- 6. **National Integration:** By participating in the SWAYAM initiative, HEIs can contribute to the vision of a knowledge-driven and inclusive India, breaking barriers and fostering collaboration among various educational institutions.

I understand that incorporating SWAYAM courses into the university's curriculum might require thoughtful consideration and deliberation. However, I believe that taking this progressive step will yield tremendous benefits and positively impact the education ecosystem in our country.

I request all HEIs to form a committee to explore the feasibility of accepting SWAYAM courses as per the University Grants Commission (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds) Regulations, 2021, including addressing any potential concerns and devising a framework for credit transfer and integration into existing programs.

Currently, **289 Universities** (**list attached**) have approved credit transfer for SWAYAM courses. If your University has also approved credit transfer for SWAYAM courses, then kindly inform the same at econtent.ugc@gmail.com.

I remain hopeful that all HEIs will join hands with the SWAYAM initiative and be at the forefront of fostering a vibrant and inclusive learning environment.

Looking forward to a positive response.

Yours sincerely,

(Manish Joshi)

Encl: As above

To,

- 1. The Vice Chancellors of all Universities
- 2. The Principals of all Colleges