Rules to Enrol Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs)

Preamble:

Massive Open Online Courses (MOOCs) are online courses available for anyone to enrol with a view to providing access to the best quality learning resources across the country, the project 'Study Webs of Active Learning for Young Aspiring Minds' (SWAYAM) has been started by Ministry of Human Resource Development, Department of Higher Education, Government of India. SWAYAM provides an integrated platform and portal for online courses, using information and communication technology (ICT) and covering High School till all higher education subjects and skill sector courses to ensure that every student, benefits from learning material through ICT. An initiative under National Mission on Education through Information Communication Technology (NME-ICT) Programme, NPTEL developed e-content for many Courses of various Disciplines.

Motivation:

Recently several students of our Institute demanded this facility of MOOCs in their curriculum. In view of this, discussions were held in several meetings of Heads and Deans on this issue.

Following guidelines are to be followed to offer these courses:

Rules:

- 1. Students can opt for only theory component of the desired course of his study.
- 2. Students can opt for only one course per semester under this scheme. He/she will have to attend regular academics for remaining courses of the semester.
- 3. Following two categories are possible while offering these courses (to be decided within a week of beginning of semester)
 - Category A: students attending MOOCs and appearing for all evaluations of the Institute.
 - Category B: students attending MOOCs with transfer of credits from NPTEL to Institute.
- 4. Students of Category A will attend the MOOCs courses online and will appear for all assessments of the Institute as per the schedule of the Institute. He will be exempted only from attending the regular theory classes of the course in the Institute.
- 5. Students of Category B will be permitted for the MOOCs courses offered by NPTEL and its online assessment. The students must provide certificate of marks issued by NPTEL only. The marks will be converted into Grade by the Grade Moderation Committee of the course of our Institution.
- 6. A student can opt for NPTL course of current or immediate next semester from same academic year.
- 7. Eligibility: Students with CGPA 6.75 or more with no live backlog.
- 8. 20 percent of enrolled students to the course will be permitted to enrol. If the students interested are more than 20 percent, then selection will be based on CGPA.
- 9. No exemption to practical component of the course. The students must attend all practical and their assessments.
- 10. Students of Category B will be permitted for the MOOCs courses offered by NPTEL if the contents of the course available on NPTEL and from our Institute match to the extent of 70% or more. The decision on offering the course will taken by Head of the department on recommendations from the course coordinator.

- 11. Presently, the scheme is offered to Final Year UG and First Year PG courses only.
- 12. Deadline for application is within 10 days from start of semester. No application/request will be entertained afterwards.
- 13. Once category is chosen, it will fixed for the semester. The student may be allowed to change the category in subsequent semester, if he/she fails in the subject.
- 14. Institute will not give any financial support to the students in this regard.

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