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Dear Sir/Madam

As you may be aware, under Section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956, which is reproduced below, degrees, which may be awarded by the universities, are specified by the Commission.

- 1) The right of conferring of granting degrees shall be exercised only by a University established or incorporated by or under a Central Act, a Provincial Act or a State Act or an Institution deemed to be a University under section 3 or an Institution specially empowered by an Act of Parliament to confer or grant degrees.
- 2) Save as provided in sub-section (1) no person or authority shall confer, or grant, or hold himself for itself out a entitled to confer or grant, any degree.
- 3) For the purpose of this section 'degree' means any such degree as may, with the previous approval of the Central Government, be specified in this behalf by the Commission by notification in the official Gazette.

The Commission has been, time and again, requesting the Universities to award degrees only within the framework of Section 22 of the UGC Act. The consolidated list of UGC approved nomenclature of degree(s) for the purpose of Section 22(3) of the University Grant Commission Act, 1956 is available on the UGC website.

It has been observed that some universities/Institutions are awarding unspecified degrees leading to litigations and different problems for the students conferred with such degrees. The Universities are once again, requested to abide by the provision of Section 22 of the UGC Act, 1956 and award only such degrees as have been specified by the UGC.

If a university wishes to award a degree other than the one specified by the UGC, it shall approach the UGC for its approval six months prior to starting the degree programme with full justification on the course to be started.

With regards,

(Rajnish Jain)

**To,
Vice-Chancellors of all the Universities**