PROSPECTUS FOR ADMISSION TO PG PROGRAMMES IN UNIVERSITY TEACHING DEPARTMENTS
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Prospectus for Admission to Post Graduate Degree Programmes in University Departments of the University of Kerala for the Academic year 2017–18

IMPORTANT DATES

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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Prospectus: Prospectus for admission to the Post Graduate (PG) Degree *Programmes* in the Departments of the University of Kerala , for the academic year **2017-18,** as approved by the University of Kerala, is published herewith. It contains general information and rules relating to the admission to PG Degree *Programmes* in the Departments of the University of Kerala.**The Prospectus issued by the University during the previous years for PG admissions in theDepartments is not valid for the year 2017-18.**

1.2 About the University: One of the first 16 Universities in India, the University of Kerala was founded as the University of Travancore in the erstwhile princely state of Travancore (now southern part of Kerala) in 1937. In 1954, the unified state of Kerala came into being. The Kerala University Act was brought into force in 1957 and the University of Travancore was renamed University of Kerala (a name which was considered even in 1937) with jurisdiction all over the state of Kerala. The Vice-Chancellor, appointed by the Governor of Kerala, is the Chief Executive Officer of the University. The Pro-Vice-Chancellor assists the Vice-Chancellor. The University has three important bodies which make policy decisions and execute it.

The Senate and the Academic Council, two large bodies with wide–based representation, are the supreme bodies on general policy matters and academic matters respectively. The Senate, "the Supreme Authority of the University", which is reconstituted every four years, has 117 members (24 ex-officio,78 elected and 15 nominated). It represents a cross section of the society, with its members drawn from different walks of social life. The Academic Council is the supreme academic body of the University. It is also a large body like the Senate, with its members drawn from different spheres of academic spectrum. The Academic Council has the power to make regulations and to advise the Senate and the Syndicate on all academic matters, to prescribe the programmes of studies in the University, to prescribe the qualifications of teachers, to make provision for the admission of students to the various programmes etc. The Syndicate, the chief executive body of the University, has strength of 25. The Syndicate, which meets ordinarily once in a month, has executive powers including the general superintendence and control over the institutions of the University. Teaching and Research in the University of Kerala has its own departments of teaching and research (housed in University campuses) and also maintains a number of affiliated colleges, spread over four southern districts of the state.

The forty one departments of teaching and research are organized as nine schools, and most of them are housed in the Karyavattom campus. Teaching, research and knowledge extension are the mandates of the departments. They primarily focus on post-graduate (masters) programmes, MPhil programmes (1-year research degree started in 1973) and doctoral (PhD) programmes and post-doctoral programmes. Affiliated colleges run large number of bachelor's programmes and lesser number of masters and doctoral programmes. University's research activities are also going on in select affiliated colleges and other recognized research centres. The total number of full-time students in the University departments is above 2000, including research students. The University has also established 10 University Colleges of Teacher Education (UTEC) and 17 University Institute of Technology (UIT), both of which offer under-graduate programmes (B.Ed. in UTECs and BSc (Computer Science/IT/Electronics) and BBA in UITs), although masters programmes are available in select UITs. The University College of Engineering at Karyavattom offers Engineering education at Undergraduate level. These institutions together have student strength of more than 6000. The Institute of Distance Education has student strength of approximately 30,000, which is spread across the country. The University has over 150 affiliated colleges with an enrollment of over 1,30,000. Thirty six departments are situated in the Karyavattom Campus5. This sprawling green campus (359 acres) is close to Kazhakuttom, on the National Highway 47, towards north. The famous Trivandrum Technopark is adjacent to the University Campus.

The University has a 3-tier academic system. Each subject of study has a Board of Studies to design syllabus and propose action on all academic matters. Group of related subjects are grouped together and defined as a faculty. The University has 16 faculties. Finally Academic Council is the supreme academic body. The University follows the Choice based credit and semester system for all post-graduate (masters) programmes and under-graduate (bachelors) level. Semesters typically fall during the months of August-January and February-July. Masters programmes are typically of two year duration and have four semesters with 5 to 6 courses offered each semester. The final semester has a project and thesis requirement. MPhil programmes are post-masters research degree, offered under credit and semester system since 2016.

The programmes in University Departments & Centres are as follows M.A. (Master of Arts) : Sociology, Political Science, Malayalam language and literature, Tamil language and literature , Arabic language and literature, English language and literature, German language and literature, Russian language and literature, Music, Linguistics, Hindi language and literature, Sanskrit general language and literature, Archeology, Economics, History, Islamic History, Philosophy,. M.Sc. (Master of Science): Geology, Environmental Sciences, Aquatic Biology and Fisheries, Bio-Chemistry, Biotechnology, Genetics & Plant Breeding, Zoology (Pure & Applied), Integrative Biology, Computer Science, Chemistry, Demography, Mathematics, Physics, Applied Psychology , Statistics, Computational Biology. M. Tech. (Master of Technology): Computer Science, Future Studies, Opto-Electronics, MBA (Master of Business Administration) General & Tourism, MSW (Master of Social Works), LLM (Master of Laws), M.Com (Master of Commerce), MLI.Sc. (Master of Library and Information Science) PhD: All Departments.

The University bagged the Indira Gandhi National Award for the best NSS activities in 2005, and the UNESCO-NLM award for literacy in 2005, State Govt's award for eGovernance in 2010 and the first Chancellor's Award for the best University in the State of Kerala, in 2015. The University is re-accredited by NAAC with 'A' grade since 2015.

1.3 Admissions to the seats to be filled for the Departmental PG programmes are regulated on the basis of CGPA/marks obtained in the UG Degree (upto penultimate Semesters) and the marks obtained in the entrance test, in the ratio 50:50. **There will be no revaluation of answer sheets of entrance examination.**

1.4 Admission to the MBA Programmes will not come under the purview of this prospectus.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **All candidates who wish to apply for PG Programmes (irrespective of Category) should strictly register online.**
- **After completion of the online registration, the candidate should take printout of the same and keep it with himself/herself. <u>DO NOT SEND HARD COPIES OF THE PRINT OUT OF ONLINE APPLICATION TO THE UNIVERSITY</u>. The hard copy of the online application with supporting documents should be kept by the candidate and it has to be submitted at the time of admission to respective departments.**
- **The candidates who come under the PWD (Persons with Disability) category should specifically mention the same at the time of online registration.**
- **Candidates coming under SC/ST/OEC/SEBC are not eligible for BPL reservation. Only the general category candidates belonging to the Forward communities, who are economically backward, are eligible for BPL reservation.** A certificate from the revenue authorities to that effect has to be produced at the time of admission.

2. DEPARTMENTS, PROGRAMMES AND SEATS

2.1 Details of Programmes and Duration: The programme leads to Master's Degree in the relevant subject. The programme extends for a period of four semesters except LLM which extends for period of two semesters. The programme of study shall be by regular attendance for the requisite number of lectures, practical training and other means.

2.2 Institutions and Subjects for the PG Degree Programmes: The list of University Departments and the programmes to which admissions are to be made, and the total *approved number of seats in each Department* are given as Annexure – I, of the Prospectus

2.3 Categorization of Seats: Seats available in University Departments are mainly classified as Merit Seats and Reservation seats.

- a. **Merit Seats:** The seats that are to be filled by the University for the Departments are classified as "Merit Seats".
- b. **Reservation Seats:** The seats in the Departments of the University that are earmarked for SC/ST/SEBC/BPL/PWD are classified as "Reservation Seats."

3. RESERVATION OF SEATS

3.1 Types of Reservations: Seats will be reserved for the following categories in the University Departments for various PG programmes.

- a. Mandatory Reservation
- b. Reservation for Persons With Disabilities

3.1.1 Mandatory Reservation: The seats for each programme in the University Departments will be distributed as per the U.O (MS) No.107/08/H.Edn. dated 30.8.08 and corresponding U.O AcB/I/Admns BC/2008 dated 20.9.2008.

Sl.No	Seat Reservation	% of
I	Merit (On the basis of merit)	50
II	Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBC) (a) Ezhava (EZ) 8% (b) Muslim (MU) 7% (c) Latin Catholic /SIUC (LC) 1% (d) Other Backward Christian (BX) 1% (e) Other Backward Hindu (BH) 3%	20
III	*Economically backward among forward communities (BPL)	10
IV	Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes	20
	Scheduled Castes 15%	
	Scheduled Tribes 05%	

List of eligible communities for reservation are given in Annexures II, III, IV and V

Candidates who enjoy communal reservation such as SEBC, SC/ST who have **BPL endorsement in the Ration Card are not eligible for BPL reservations.** Only candidates belonging to Forward Communities, who are Economically Backward, are eligible for BPL reservations. Such candidates must produce BPL certificate from the Village Officer/Revenue Authority concerned.

Note: (a) Thiyya and Billava will be considered as Ezhava Community for reservation. (b) For SEBC candidates, Annual Family Income should be below Rs.**6** lakhs for getting the benefit of reservation.

3.1.2 Reservation for Foreign, non-Kerala, Persons with Disabilities (PWD) & Sponsored Candidates
For each PG programme, there shall be super-numerary seats for

(a) One candidate who is in the rank list and who is not a native of Kerala, in case no such student has secured admission in the programme in the concerned year through the rank list.

(b) One foreign candidate eligible as per relevant regulations for foreign students.

(c) Students who have won the titles of Kalathilakam or Kalaprathibha in University Youth Festivals in their Bachelors Programme, in any programme of their choice provided that he/she is eligible for admission to that programme.

(d) One Sponsored candidate from Govt./R&D Institutions/Industries, with minimum of 2 years of work experience.

(e) One student with disability of 40% or above when the sanctioned seats are below 25 and two students, if the sanctioned seats are above 25 (the acceptability as related to subjects in science and technology stream shall be decided by CSSAC based on recommendations of the respective Department Council).

As per Clause 2 (t), Chapter I of the Persons with Disabilities Act 1995, "Person with disability" means a person suffering from not less than 40% of any disability as certified by a Medical Board constituted for this purpose. Candidates who have a minimum of 40% disability alone will be eligible to apply for this quota.

Candidates seeking admission under PWD category should attach "Certificate of disability, issued not earlier than 12 months prior   to the admission, by the District Medical Board or bodies of higher status, certifying the degree of percentage of disability.

N.B: PWD candidates should register online.

- The selection of candidates under this category will be based on the rank in the inter-se merit list and

not on the basis of the degree of disability.

- No reservation of seats is allowed for blind candidates for Science subjects.
- Blind candidates should get prior permission from the Registrar, University of Kerala to accompany scribes with them for the entrance examination.

4. CLAIMS FOR MANDATORY RESERVATION AND CERTIFICATES TO BE PRODUCED

Claims for Mandatory Reservations must be made by a candidate at the time of submission of online application. Candidates should also mention the item of reservation claimed in the relevant columns in the online application. Candidates should also satisfy the eligibility conditions as per Clause 5 of the Prospectus. **The claims for mandatory reservation once made in the application cannot be altered by the candidate under any circumstances.**

4.1. Merit Seats: The seats under the Merit category will be filled purely on merit basis irrespective of the Category/Community to which the candidates belong.

4.2 Community Reservation:

4.2.1. **Claim for Communal reservation under 'Socially and Educationally Backward Classes' (SEBC):**Reservation of seats to the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes will be in accordance with the provisions contained in G.O. (P) 208/66/Edn. Dated 2.5.1966, as amended from time to time.

    a. Candidates belonging to Socially and Educationally Backward Classes as per G.O. (Ms) No.132/2011/H.Edn. dated 12.08.2011, whose annual family income (i.e., annual income of all members in the family from all sources taken together) is up to Rs. 6 lakhs (Rupees Six lakhs only), are eligible for reservation under this category. Only the claims of the candidates of those communities that are included in the list of communities will be considered. (U.O.No.Ac.BI/UG Admns. BC/2011, dated 11.01.2012).

    b.Candidates belonging to Ezhava, Muslim, Other Backward Hindus, Latin Catholic/SIUC and Other Backward Christian communities, claiming reservation under SEBC Quota should invariably obtain both "Community" and "Income Certificates" from the Village Officer concerned. **Candidates, whose annual family income is above Rs.6 lakhs, are not eligible for SEBC reservation. Note: Non-Creamy Layer Certificate will not be accepted under any circumstances for educational/admission purposes.**

4.2.2 Claim for Reservation under Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes Quota

    a. Candidates claiming reservation under Scheduled Castes/ Scheduled Tribes quota should obtain the Caste/Community Certificate from the Tahsildar.*Those who produce false SC/ST Certificate for claiming reservation under SC/ST quota shall be liable for penalties as per rules.*

    b. Claim of OEC candidates against the un-availed seats of SC/ST candidates:Other Eligible Community (OEC) candidates who claim allotment to the un-availed seats, if any, under SC/ST quota should furnish Community and Income certificates obtained from the Village Officer concerned. Those OEC candidates whose annual family income is up to Rs. **6** lakhs (Rupees **six** lakhs only) alone are eligible for such seats. OEC seats will be filled as per rules laid by the Govt.

    c. Converted Christians do not come under the SC/ST category. They belong to OEC category.

4.3 Other General Rules for Mandatory Reservation

4.3.1 Claim for fee concession to OEC candidates: Candidates belonging to Other Eligible Communities are exempted from payment of fee at the time of admission to *PG Degree programmes* irrespective of annual family income as per G.O (MS) No. 36/07/SCSTDD, dated: 03.07.2007.

    They should provide the Community Certificate from the Village Officer/ Tahsildar at the time of

admission.

5. ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION

5.1 Nativity: Candidate should be an Indian citizen.   For foreign candidates, relevant regulations apply.

5.2 Indulgence in Ragging as disqualification: If an applicant for admission is found to have indulged in ragging in the past or if it is noticed later that he/she   had indulged in ragging, admissions shall be denied or he/she   shall be expelled from the institution. The student at the time of admission should give an undertaking as per the provisions of anti-ragging verdict by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India (Annexure VI).

5.3Academic Eligibility

(i) Students who have pursued 10+2+3 scheme and obtained a Bachelor Degree from the University of Kerala or a degree recognized as equivalent thereto, and who have secured the following,shall be eligible for admission to PG programmes:

    (a) CGPA of 2 or above in a 4 **-** point scale or
    (b) 3.5 or above in a 7 **-**point scale or
    (c) 5 or above in a 10**-**point scale or
    (d) 50% or above in case of Bachelor Degrees which award marks,
Relaxation for candidates from SC/ST category shall be as follows:
    (a) CGPA of 1.8 or above in a 4-point scale
    (b) 3.15 or above in a 7-point scale
    (c) 4.5 or above in a 10-point scale
    (d) 45% or above in case of Bachelor Degrees which award marks.

(ii) Candidate shall secure at least 25% (20% for SC/ST category) of the average marks of the stream in the entrance examination conducted as per Section 3.4

(iii) Candidate shall hold Bachelor degree in subjects specified in Schedule I, for admission to corresponding PG Programmes. The CSSAC shall be competent to recommend   revisions to Schedule I from time to time, on recommendations of the Department Councils.

(iv) Any candidate admitted to a PG Programme of this University in any subject in earlier years shall not be eligible to apply for admission to any PG Programme. Candidates re-admitted after a break shall not come under this category.

(v) Any candidate already holding a post-graduate degree by regular mode, shall not be eligible to apply for admission to any PG Programme; provided that admission to M.Tech Programme shall be exempted from this restriction.

(vi) Multiple Applications: A candidate may apply for a maximum of **three** PG Programmes at a time.

(vii) **No rounding off of CGPA or the percentage of marks to the nearest whole number is permitted.**

5.4 Double or Triple main candidates or candidates who have passed the Degree Examination in Vocational or Specialized Courses are also eligible for admission. **However, they have to submit a copy of the Equivalency and Eligibility certificate from the University of Kerala, stating that, their qualifying examination is recognized for seeking admission to the relevant PG Degree programme** as applicable, at the time of admission.

5.5 Choice of optional subjects: The optional subject for the PG programme should be the same as the one, which   the student has   selected as Core   Course   for Graduation, or the   main   subject for Graduation, conventionally recognized to be coming under the optional chosen. In case, the Core Course is different from the programme opted for admission, the eligibility will be decided as per the existing   rules   of   the

University.

6. Eligible specializations

In addition to eligibility conditions specified in section 5.3 above, candidate shall hold Bachelor degree in subjects specified below, for admission to corresponding PG Programmes.

1. **English** language and literature **M A:** BA English Language & Literature; BA English and Communicative English; BA Communicative English (Vocational); BA Communicative English OR any BA/BSc with credits earned for at least 4 English language courses.
2. **Hindi** language and literature **MA:** Graduates in B.A. Hindi. Any BA/B.Sc. degree holder with at least 4 Hindi language courses.
3. **Malayalam language and literature MA:** Graduates in B.A Malayalam. Also, any BA/BSc. with at least 4 Malayalam language courses.
4. **Arabic** language and literature **MA:** B.A Arabic, Any BA/BSc. with at least Arabic 4 language courses; B.A/B.Sc. in Afzal-ul-ulama.
5. **Sanskrit General language and literature MA**: B.A Sanskrit (any specialization); any B.A/B.Sc. degree holders with at least 4 Sanskrit language courses.
6. **Russian language and literature MA:**Any B.A/B.Sc. with at least 4 Russian language related courses; Any degree with diploma in Russian.
7. **German language and literature MA**: Any B.A/B.Sc. with German language related courses.
8. **Philosophy M A**: BA Philosophy; any BA/BSc. Degree holder will be admitted after all BA Philosophy holders are admitted.
9. **History MA**: Degree holders from BA/BSc/LLB. 80% of seats shall be reserved for candidate who hold BA Degree in History.
10. **Sociology MA:** Any BA/BSc. from faculties of Arts/Social science/Science/Commerce/Law. 75% of the seats shall be reserved for candidates who hold B.A Sociology.
11. **Economics MA:** B.A Economics, B.Sc. Mathematics or B.Sc. Statistics
12. **Political Science MA:** Any BA from Faculty of Social Sciences, Law and Journalism.15% of seats will be reserved for candidates from humanities science and commerce. Weightage will be given to candidates from the discipline of Political Science.
13. **Islamic History MA:**B.A Islamic History; any B.A/B.Sc. degree holder will be admitted after all BA Islamic History holders are admitted.
14. **Linguistics MA**: Any BA, B.Sc, B.Com/MBBS/B.Tech from faculties of Arts/ Social science/ Commerce/Law/ Medicine and Engineering.
15. **Tamil** language and literature **MA:** B.A Tamil.
16. **Music MA:** B.A Music; BPA
17. **Archaeology MA:** Any BA, B.Sc.
18. **MSW:** Any BA, B.Sc. 50% of the seats reserved for B.Sc. degree holders. Graduates in Social Science, commerce, Law, BSW, BBA.
19. **M.Com:** B.Com/ B.B.A. 80% of the total seats would be reserved for candidates with B.Com.
20. **M.C.J:** Any Bachelor's degree including BA, B.Sc., BBA, BCA, B.Tech., B.VSc., MBBS.
21. **M.Lisc.:**Any Bachelor's degree including BA, B.Sc., BBA, BCA, B.Tech., B.VSc., MBBS.

22. **M.Ed.:** B.Ed. degree, additional weightage will be given to PG. (MA, M.Sc./M.Com) candidates in the respective area of specialization[1] at B.Ed.
23. **LLM: LLB** 5 year/3 year/Annual Scheme
24. **M.Sc. Biochemistry:** B.Sc.in Chemistry/Biochemistry/Biochemistry and Industrial Microbiology/ Graduates in any multimajor course with biochemistry (main).
25. **M.Sc. Biotechnology:** B.Sc.in Zoology/Botany/Microbiology/Biotechnology/ Biochemistry/ Environmental Science/Aquatic Biology
26. **M.Sc. Genetics & Plant Breeding:** B.Sc. Botany or in any Multi-major course with Botany. B.Sc. botany and biotechnology'
27. **M.Sc.Chemistry:** B.Sc. Chemistry/ Polymer Chemistry/Industrial chemistry/ Analytical chemistry with Mathematics as one of the Complementary subjects.
28. **M.Sc. Aquatic Biology and Fisheries:** B.Sc. Aquatic Biology and Fisheries/ Zoology/Aquaculture/ fisheries Science (BFSC)
29. **M.Sc. Computer Science:** First class Bachelor's Degree with not less than 60% marks (or equivalent grade) in Computer Science/ Computer Applications/ Electronics/Any other degree in Science with Computer Science or Computer Applications as major components or an equivalent degree recognized by the University of Kerala
30. **M.Sc. Environmental Science:** B.Sc. Environmental Science/ Botany/ Zoology/ Biochemistry/ 'Chemistry and Industrial Chemistry/ Geology
31. **M.Sc. Geology:** B.Sc. Geology
32. **M.Sc. Computational Biology:** B.Sc.Computational Biology/ Computer Science/ BCA/ Electronics/ Information technology/ Bioinformatics/ Mathematics/ B.Tech in any branch.
33. **M.Sc. Demography:** B.Sc. Mathematics/ Statistics/Computer Science or BA Economics/ Sociology/B.Sc. Geography/ Anthropology with Statistics as one of the Complementary subjects
34. **M.Sc. Acturial Science:** B.Sc.Mathematics/ Statistics/ Acturial Science/ Mathematical Acturial Science/Acturial Statistics /Acturial Economics/ Computer Science
35. **M.Sc. Mathematics:** B.Sc.Mathematics
36. **M.Sc. Physics:** B.Sc.Physics with Mathematics
37. **M.Sc. Statistics:** B.Sc.Statistics;B.Sc.Mathematics(with Statistics courses). 30% of those general merit seats shall be reserved for B.Sc. Statistics Degree.
38. **M.Sc. Zoology (Pure & Applied):** B.Sc.Zoology
39. **M.Sc. Integrative Biology:** B.Sc.Zoology with Chemistry & Botany as Complementary subjects
40. **M.Sc. Applied Psychology:**B.A/B.Sc. Psychology

* *Note: In the case of annual scheme, the following procedure will be adopted: For PG Programmes in Languages/Arts/ Humanities, in the place of requirement of 4 courses, Part II in the concerned in languages shall be considered.*

7.   Relaxation in Grade Points/Marks in the Qualifying examination:

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[1] Specialization at B.Ed. means Natural Science/ Physical Science/ Mathematics/ English/ Malayalam/ Hindi/ Arabic/ Tamil/ Kannada/ Commerce/Itor Computer/Social Science etc.

7.1	**Relaxation for candidates from SC/ST category shall be as follows:**
	(a) CGPA of 1.8 or above in a 4-point scale
	(b) 3.15 or above in a 7-point scale
	(c) 4.5 or above in a 10-point scale
	(d) 45% or above in case of Bachelor Degrees which award marks.
7.2	**SEBC Category:**
	(a) CGPA of 1.92 or above in a 4-point scale
	(b) 3.36 or above in a 7-point scale
	(c) 4.8 or above in a 10-point scale
	(d) 45% or above in case of Bachelor Degrees which award marks.
7.3	**Persons with Disability Category:**
	(a) CGPA of 1.8 or above in a 4-point scale
	(b) 3.15 or above in a 7-point scale
	(c) 4.5 or above in a 10-point scale
	(d) 45% or above in case of Bachelor Degrees which award marks.

8. Bonus Marks for NSS/NCC

Bonus marks shall be awarded to holders of: (a) NCC Certificates signed by NCC Director and issued by the Directorate of NCC. (b) NSS Certificates signed by the Vice-Chancellor and issued to volunteers who have completed 240 hours of work within a period of two years.The benefit of bonus marks for purpose of admission can be availed by the candidates only under any one category (either NCC or NSS). For certificates with 'C', 'B' and "A" grades, 0.5, 0.4 and 0.3% enhancement in index marks shall respectively be given.

9. Rank List

Rank list for admission shall be prepared by giving equal weightage to entrance exam performance and CGPA of Bachelor Degree for semesters up to 5 in case of 6 Semester programme and penultimate semester/year for other programmes. For sponsored candidates, ranking shall be based on 80% weightage for CGPA/aggregate marks at bachelor level and 10% for work experience (1%/year) and 10% for an interview conducted by Department Council. . There are five steps involved in index marks calculation. **The first step (Step I) varies for**

each PG programme. Steps II to IV are the same for all programmes, subject to the General principles and the Department Specific Rules regarding minimum marks/Grades. The details of **Step-I** used for ranking for various Degree programmes in general are as follows.

Step-I

For candidates who have studied concerned subject as Core Course:

Index Mark $= \dfrac{\text{CGPA(S) + CGPA of Core Course}}{2 * \textbf{<Scale>}} * 100$

For candidates who have studied any other subject as Core Course:

Index Mark $= \dfrac{\text{CGPA(S)}}{} * 100$

<Scale>

Step – II

To the marks obtained in **Step – I**, add Bonus Marks for NCC/NSS weightage as follows:

For NSS/NCC Candidates: Weightage of 0.5 marks

For NCC ('C' Grade Certificate): Additional Weightage of 0.5 marks

For NCC ('B' Grade Certificate): Additional Weightage of 0.4 marks

For NCC ('A' Grade Certificate): Additional Weightage of 0.3 marks

Step - III

Convert the marks to 50%, which means:

Step – III marks = <u>Step I marks + Steps II marks</u>

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Step - IV

Add 50% of marks obtained in entrance exam to the marks obtained in Step IV, which means:

Final Index Marks = Step IV marks + 50% of entrance test marks.

10. Resolving of Tie

In the case of more than one candidate obtaining equal index marks (Including weightage), the candidate who has scored more CGPA/ marks in the UG Degree will be placed higher in ranking. If the tie persists, the candidate who has scored higher CGPA/marks in core subject will be placed higher in ranking.

If the tie still persists the age of the candidates will be taken into account, the older being placed higher in the ranking. Even after this exercise, if the tie persists the alphabetical order of the first name of the candidates will be taken into account.

HOW TO APPLY

11.1 (a) Any candidate who wishes to join PG Degree Programme in the University Departments should compulsorily register online at http://admissions.keralauniversity.ac.in. A candidate will have the facility to apply for a maximum of 3 programmes through a single registration. On successful completion of the online registration, the candidate should take the printout of the same.

(b) The site is optimized with the latest versions of Mozilla firebox, Google chrome etc,

(c) The candidates are advised to enable "JavaScript" before proceeding with the Registration

(d) Read the instructions carefully before proceeding with the registration.

(e) Do not press "back" button during the process of registration.

11.2 Online Registration: The Registration Fee will be as follows: (for each programme applied)

General :**₹ 500/- ;** SC/ST: **₹ 250/-**

The Registration Fee is to be remitted to the A/C No. 67153233669 in any branch of State Bank of Travancore using the special Chalan of Kerala University available in the 'Download Chalan' link in the website (www.admissions.keralauniversity.ac.in). A candidate who does not belong to SC/ST Community will be

treated as "General" candidate for this purpose. *Candidates shall not remit the fee in any other form like Demand Draft, Cheque etc.*

Note: The Registration fee once remitted will not be refunded under any circumstances.

11.3 Submission of Application: The candidates have to go through the mandatory steps given below for the successful submission of online application:

a. *Register his/her name* in the website by providing some basic information.

b. Online Registration of Personal data as well as details of opted *programmes* for entrance examinations.

c. Download the chalan from the candidate's page. Remit the Registration Fee mentioned in the chalan in any branch of *State Bank of Travancore* (SBT).

d. Log onto the candidate's page by providing application number and password (date of birth will be the default password).

e. Enter the Fee details in the website.

f. Download the application from the candidate's page.

g. Download the Hall ticket before the *date of entrance examination*. The date of downloading of Hall Ticket shall be announced in the website.

11.3.1. Registration Fee remittance: The Registration Fee is to be remitted as per the method mentioned in clause (7.2). The original Chalan Receipt (University's copy) has to be submitted at the time of admission for verification.

11.3.2. Online Registration of Personal Details and Options Chosen: Facility for online registration will be provided at http://www.admissions.keralauniversity.ac.in . A candidate can proceed to the second stage of online application only after entering the details of Registration Fee remittance in *the* candidate's page.

The procedure for online application consists of the following mandatory steps:

Step 1: Registering in the site

Step 2: Entering Personal Details, Qualifying Examination detailsand Options for various programmes.

Step 3: Download the Chalan, Remit the fees and then enter Fee Remittance Details

Step 4: Uploading of photograph and signature

Step 5: Option for verifying the application

Step 6: Printout of the Application.

Candidates can submit their applications from any computer having Internet facility within the time schedule specified.

11.3.3.Step 1: Registering in the Site: Click on the link, 'Click Here to Register' in the home page of CSS– Admissions 2016 and provide the basic information (name, date of birth and community). On successful completion of this first step, Login to the site using the application number and password. It is advised to change the password immediately to prevent any type of intrusion by any unauthorized person. The candidate should note down the password and application number carefully for login into his/her page later.

11.3.4. Step 2: Entering Personal Details, Qualifying Exams and Options for various Programmes: The candidates should give their personal and reservation details in this page. The candidate has to produce all supporting documents for the reservations claimed; or else, the claims for reservations will be discarded. After entering the personal and reservation details, the candidate can enter the details of qualifying examinations. The candidates, registering their options, should satisfy all the eligibility conditions with regard to nativity and academic qualifications stated in the Prospectus. The allotment to programmes, which do not satisfy the eligibility conditions, will be cancelled at the time of admission. In such cases the candidature of the applicant will be cancelled without any further intimation. Fill the details carefully and click the button 'Save Information' for the next step.

Note: The site will be opened at a later date for those candidates who have appeared for the entrance examinations for entering the details of marks/grade of the qualifying examination. Please note that only those candidates who provide the details of mark/grade in the qualifying examination will find a place in the rank list to be prepared. The dates on which the site will be open will be announced by the university in the website.

11.3.5. Step 3: Download the chalan, Remit the fees and then enter Fee Remittance Details: Log on to the candidates page using the application number and password (date of birth will be the default password). Fill the Registration Fee remittance details in the page 'Fee Remittance'.

11.3.6. Step 4: Photo and signature uploading: Upload the scanned photo and signature in the prescribed format given in the site.

11.3.7. Step 5: Option for verifying the application: Here the candidates can verify the application and edit the details.

11.3.8. Step 6: Printout of the Application: The candidate must take the print out of the application form for future reference. This must be produced at the time of admission. This is a mandatory step.

The Hard Copy application is <u>not</u> to be sent to the University.

Note:(i) The hall ticket for the entrance examination can be downloaded from the website after the notification. The same will be informed to the students via sms to the mobile number given at the time of registration.

(ii)The results of entrance examination will be published in the website.

(iii) Those who attend the entrance test must re-login and enter the details of qualifying marks/grade in the website after the publication of entrance examination results. The dates will be informed to the students via sms to the mobile number given at the time of registration.

To claim any fee concession/scholarship: Candidates who are not eligible for communal reservation benefit and who wish to be considered for any fee concession/scholarship/any other benefit based on the annual family income, that may be announced by the Government/University at any time after the submission of application should have income certificate from revenue authorities.

12. ENTRANCE EXAMINATION

12.1. Entrance examination as mandatory entry requirement: There shall be an entrance examination for admission to each PG Programme and no candidate shall be admitted to a PG Programme without taking the entrance examination; provided that the restrictions do not apply to SC/ST candidates admitted to vacant seats, foreign candidates and sponsored candidates.

12.2. Nature of Entrance Examinations: Entrance examinations shall consist of 100 Multiple Choice Questions covering subject knowledge at Bachelor level and/or logical and numerical reasoning, for maximum of 2 hours.

12.3. Conduct of Entrance Examinations: The Department Council shall set model QPs for entrance examinations and the Controller of Examinations shall arrange to set the QPs. The office of the CSSAC shall conduct the entrance examinations. No re-examination shall be provided to absentees, under any circumstances. It shall be competent of the CSSAC to sanction special arrangements for differently-abled candidates.

12.4. Marking of Entrance Examinations: The answer scripts of the entrance examination shall be marked digitally or by the teachers of the respective Department.

12.5. Negative Marks: There shall be 0.25 negative mark for each wrong answer in entrance examination.

12.6. Re-valuation: There shall be no revaluation of entrance examination answer scripts.

13. ADMISSION ACTIVITIES

13.1. Reporting at the University Department: Candidates need to report for admission before the Head of the Department concerned only when the announcement regarding the same is made by the University. He/she should report with the following documents in original:

> (e) The Admission Memo.
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> (ii) Receipt of University fee remitted in the bank.
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> (iii) Certificate to prove date of birth.
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> (iv) Transfer Certificate (T C) from the Institution last attended and Conduct Certificate.
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> (v)   Mark lists of the Degree examination and Provisional/Degree Certificate.
>
> (vi) Eligibility Certificate from University of Kerala, in case of candidates who have passed their qualifying examination from other Universities.
>
> (vii) Migration Certificate in case of candidates who have passed their qualifying examination from other Universities.
>
> (viii) Any other documents required to be produced by the Head of Institution.

13.2. Verification of Documents: The Head of the Department shall be responsible for verification of original documents and satisfaction of the correctness of the records produced by the candidate at the time of admission. The Head of the Department will have the right to deny an admission, if he/she finds any relevant mismatch in the original documents and online data that has affected the ranking process.

13.3. Failure to report for Admission: Candidates who do not take admission on the prescribed date and time in the University Department will lose his/her claim for admissions.

14. Fee to be paid to the University on admission : At the time of admission, the candidate has to remit the requisite fee in the University department. The Details of fee will be provided in the admission memo.

14.1. Candidates belonging to SC/ST communities allotted against merit seats or against the seats reserved for them are exempted from payment of fee.

14.2. Claim for fee concession to OEC candidates: Candidates belonging to Other Eligible Communities (OEC) are exempted from payment of fee at the time of admission to Post Graduate programmes, irrespective of annual family income as per G.O. (MS) No. 36/07/SCSTDD, dated: 03.07.2007. They should provide Community Certificate from the Village Officer along with the acknowledgement.

14.3. SC/ST/OEC candidates will have to pay the "Caution Deposit" as per rules.

15. OTHER ITEMS

15.1. The whole process of admission to the PG Degree programmes 2017-18 will be done by the University of Kerala, as per provisions of the regulation for PG Programmes in the teaching departments of the University of Kerala (2017).

15.2. The University of Kerala will not entertain any request for change of any date fixed for the Admission from time to time.

15.3. All disputes pertaining to the allotment for admission shall fall within the jurisdiction of the Hon'ble High Court of Kerala.

15.4. Any other items not specifically covered in this Prospectus will be decided by the University of Kerala and the decision shall be final.

Thiruvananthapuram   **REGISTRAR**

ANNEXURE – I

DETAILS OF DEPARTMENTS, PROGRAMMES AND SEATS

Department	Subject	No of Seats
Aquatic Biology & Fisheries	M.Sc. Aquatic Biology & Fisheries	11
Arabic	M.A. Arabic Language & Literature	25
Archaeology	M.A. Archaeology	12
Biochemistry	M.Sc. Biochemistry	14
Biotechnology	M.Sc. Biotechnology	10
Botany	M.Sc. Genetics & Plant Breeding	12
Chemistry	M.Sc. Chemistry	15
Commerce	M.Com	25
Communication & Journalism	MCJ	20
Computer Science	M.Sc. Computer Science	30
Computational Biology & Bioinformatics	M.Sc. Computational Biology	10
Demography	M.Sc. Demography	12
	M.Sc. Actuarial Science	10
Economics	M.A. Economics	25
Education	M.Ed.	30
Environmental Sciences	M.Sc. Environmental Sciences	10
Geology	M.Sc. Geology	10
German	M.A. German Language & Literature	13
Hindi	M.A. Hindi Language & Literature	20
History	M.A. History	20
Institute of English	M.A. English Language & Literature	25
Islamic Studies	M.A. Islamic History	10
Library Science	MLISc.	20
Linguistics	M.A. Linguistics	20
Law	LLM	20
Malayalam	M.A. Malayalam Language & Literature	15
Mathematics	M.Sc. Mathematics	25
Music	M.A. Music	10
Philosophy	M.A. Philosophy	20
Physics	M.Sc. Physics (with specialization in applied electronics)	18
Political Science	M.A. Political Science	25

Psychology	M.A. Psychology	18
Russian	M.A. Russian Language & Literature	10
Sanskrit	M.A. Sanskrit General Language & Literature	15
	M.A. Sociology	20
Sociology	MSW	30
Statistics	M.Sc. Statistics	15
Tamil	M.A. Tamil Language & Literature	15
	M.Sc. Zoology (Pure & Applied)	10
Zoology	M.Sc. Integrative Biology	10

ANNEXURE -II

LIST OF SCHEDULED CASTES (SC)

[As Amended by The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Orders (Second Amendment) Act, 2002 (Act 61 of 2002) Vide Part VIII – Kerala -Schedule 1 Notified in the Gazette of India dated 18.12.2002, The Constitution (Scheduled Castes) Order (Amendment) Act 2007]

1	Adi Andhra	38	xxx
2	Adi Dravida	39	Moger (other than Mogeyar)
3	Adi Karnataka	40	Mundala
4	Ajila	41	Nalakeyava
5	Arunthathiyar	42	Nalkadaya
6	Ayyanavar	43	Nayadi
7	Baira	44	xxx
8	Bakuda	45	Pallan
9	xxx	46	Palluvan
10	Bathada	47	Pambada
11	xxx	48	Panan
12	Bharathar (Other than Parathar), Paravan	49	xxx
13	xxx	50	Paraiyan, Parayan, Sambavar, Sambavan, Sambava, Paraya, Paraiya, Parayar
14	Chakkiliyan		
15	Chamar, Muchi	51	xxx
16	Chandala	52	xxx
17	Cheruman	53	xxx
18	Domban	54	Pulayan, Cheramar, Pulaya, Pulayar, Cherama, Cheraman, Wayanad Pulayan, Wayanadan Pulayan, Matha, Matha Pulayan
19	xxx		
20	xxx		
21	xxx		
22	Gosangi	55	xxx
23	Hasla	56	Puthirai Vannan
24	Holeya	57	Raneyar
25	Kadaiyan	58	Samagara
		59	Samban

26 Kakkalan, Kakkan	60 Semman, Chemman, Chemmar
27 Kalladi	61 Thandan (excluding Ezhuvas and Thiyyas who are known as Thandan, in the erstwhile Cochin and Malabar areas) and (Carpenters who are known as Thachan, in the erstwhile Cochin and Travancore State)
28 Kanakkan, Padanna, Padannan	
29 xxx	
30 Kavara (other than Telugu speaking or Tamil speaking Balija Kavarai, Gavara, Gavarai, Gavarai Naidu, Balija Naidu, Gajalu Balija or Valai Chetty)	
	62 Thoti
31 Koosa	63 Vallon
32 Kootan, Koodan	64 Valluvan
33 Kudumban	65 xxx
34 Kuravan, Sidhanar, Kuravar, Kurava, Sidhana	66 xxx
35 Maila	67 Vetan
36 Malayan [In the areas comprising the Malabar District as specified by Sub-section (2) of Section 5 of the State Re-organization Act. 1956 (37 of 1956)].	68 Vettuvan, Pulaya Vettuvan (in the areas of eastwhile Cochin State only).
	69 Nerian
37 Mannan (£Ë¯Ï), Pathiyan, Perumannan, Vannan, Velan	

ANNEXURE – III

LIST OF SCHEDULED TRIBES (ST)

[As Amended by The Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes Orders (Amendment) Act, 2002 (Act 10 of 2003) Vide Part -VII

1 Adiyan	23 Malakkuravan
2 Arandan [Arandanan]	24 Malasar
3 Eravallan	25 [Malayan, Nattu Malayan, Konga Malayan (excluding the areas comprising the Kasaragod, Kannur, Wayanad and Kozhikode Districts)
4 Hill Pulaya, Mala Pulayan, Kurumba Pulayan, Kuravazhi Pulayan, Pamba Pulayan	
5 Irular, Irulan	26 Malayarayar
6 Kadar [Wayanad Kadar]	27 Mannan (£Ò¯Ï)
7 xxx	28 xxx
8 Kanikkaran, Kanikkar	29 Muthuvan, Mudugar, Muduvan
9 Kattunayakan	30 Palleyan, Palliyan, Palliyar, Paliyan
10 [Kochuvelan]	31 xxx
11 xxx	32 xxx
12 xxx	33 Paniyan
13 Koraga	34 Ulladan, [Ullatan]
14 xxx	35 Uraly
15 Kudiya, Melakudi	36 Mala Vettuvan(in Kasaragod & Kannur districts)
16 Kurichchan [Kurichiyan]	
17 Kurumans, Mullu Kuruman, Mulla Kuruman, Mala Kuruman	37 Ten Kurumban, Jenu Kurumban
	38 Thachanadan, Thachanadan Moopan

18 Kurumbas, [Kurumbar, Kurumban]	39 Cholanaickan
19 Maha Malasar	40 Mavilan
20 Malai Arayan [Mala Arayan]	41 Karimpalan
21 Malai Pandaram	42 Vetta Kuruman
22 Malai Vedan [Malavedan]	43 Mala Panikkar

ANNEXURE -IV
LIST OF OTHER ELIGIBLE COMMUNITIES (OEC)

1 Chemman/Chemmar	13 Pathiyan (other than Dhobies)
2 Madiga	14 Allar (Alan)
3 Pulluvan	15 Malavettuvan
4 Thachar (other than Carpenter throughout Stat excluding the erstwhile Malabar area)	16 Malamuthan
	17 KunduVadiyan
5 Chakkamar	18 Thachanadan Moopan
6 Varnavar	19 Wayanad Kadar
7 Kudumbi	20 Kalanadi
8 Dheevara/Dheevaran, Arayan, Valan, Nulayan, Mukkuvan, Arayavathi, Valinjiar, Paniakkal,	21 Chingathan
	22 Malayalar
9 Mokaya, Bovi, Mogayar and Megavirar Peruvannan	23 Malapanicker
	24 Urindavan
10 Scheduled Castes converts.	25 Marati
11 Kusavan including Kusavar, Kulalan, Kumbaran, Velaan, Odan, Andhra Nair, Anthru Nair	26 Pulaya Vettuvan (except in the areas of eastwhile Cochin State)
12 Malayan, (Konga-Malayan, Pani Malayan (in the erstwhile Malabar area alone)	

ANNEXURE – V
LIST OF SOCIALLY AND EDUCATIONALLY BACKWARD CLASSES (SEBC)
[Vide G.O. (P) 208/66/Edn. dated 02.05.1966] & G.O. (Ms) No. 95/08/SCSTDD dated 06.10.2008]

I. Ezhavas including Ezhavas, Thiyyas, Ishuvan, Izhuvan, Illuvan and Billava	36. Kannadiyans
II. Muslims (all sections following Islam)	37. Kavuthiyan
III. Latin Catholics other than Anglo-Indians	38. Kavudiyaru
IV. Other Backward Christians	39. Kelasi or Kalasi Panicker
(a) SIUC	40. Koppala Velamas
(b) Converts from Scheduled Castes to Christianity	41. Krishnanvaka
	42. Kuruba
V. Kudumbi	43. Kurumba
VI. Other Backward Hindus, i.e.	44. Maravan (Maravar)
	45. Madivala

1. Agasa
2. Arayas including Valan, Mukkuvan, Mukaya, Mogayan, Arayan, Bovies, Kharvi, Nulayan, and Arayavathi
3. Aremahrati
4. Arya including Dheevara/Dheevaran, Atagara, Devanga, Kaikolan, (Sengunthar), Pattarya, Saliyas (Padmasali, Pattusali, Thogatta, Karanibhakatula, Senapathula, Sali, Sale, Karikalabhakulu, Chaliya) Sourashtra, Khatri, Patnukaran, Illathu Pillai, Illa Vellalar, Illathar
5. Bestha
6. Bhandari or Bhondari
7. Boya
8. Boyan
9. Chavalakkaran
10. Chakkala (Chakkala Nair)
11. Devadiga
12. Ezhavathi (Vathi)
13. Ezhuthachan, Kadupattan
14. Gudigara
15. Galada Konkani
16. Ganjam Reddies
17. Gatti
18. Gowda
19. Ganika including Nagavamsom
20. Hegde
21. Hindu Nadar
22. Idiga including Settibalija
23. Jangam
24. Jogi
25. Jhetty
26. Kanisu or Kaniyar-Panicker, Kaniyan, Kanisan, Kannian or Kani, Ganaka
27. xxx
28. Kalarikurup or Kalari Panicker
29. Kerala Muthali
30. Kusavan including Kulala, Kumbaran, Odan, Oudan (Donga) Odda (Vodde or Vadde or Veddai) Velaan, Andhra Nair, Anthuru Nair.
31. Kalavanthula
32. Kallan including Isanattu Kallar
33. Kabera
34. Korachas
35. Kammalas including Viswakarmala, Karuvan,
46. Maruthuvar
47. Mahratta (Non-Brahman)
48. Melakudi (Kudiyan)
49. Mogaveera
50. Moili
51. Mukhari
52. Modibanda
53. Moovari
54. Moniagar
55. Naicken including Tholuva Naicker and Vettilakkara Naicker
56. Padyachi (Villayankuppam)
57. Palli
58. Panniyar or Pannayar
59. Parkavakulam (Surithiman, Malayaman, Nathaman, Moopanar and Nainar)
60. Rajapuri
61. Sakravar (Kavathi)
62. Senaithalaivar, Elavania, Senaikudayam
63. Sadhu Chetty including Telugu Chetty or
24 Manai Telugu Chetty and Wynadan Chetty
64. Tholkolan
65. Thottiyan
66. Uppara (Sagara)
67. Ural Goundan
68. Valaiyan
69. Vada Balija
70. Vakkaliga
71. Vaduvan(Vadugan)
72. Veera Saivas (Pandaram, Vairavi, Vairagi, Yogeeswar, Matapathi and Yogi)
73. Veluthedathu Nair including Vannathan, Veluthedan and Rajaka
74. Vilakkithala Nair including Vilakkathalavan, Ambattan Pranopakari, Pandithar and Nusuvan
75. Vaniya including Vanika, Vanika Vaisya, Vaisya Chetty, Vanibha Chetty, Ayiravar Nagarathar, Vaniyan
76. Yadava including Kolaya, Ayar, Mayar, Maniyani, Eruman, Golla and Kolaries
77. Chakkamar
78. Mogers of Kasaragod Taluk
79. Maratis of Hosdurg Taluk
80. Paravans of Malabar area excluding Kasaragod Taluk

Kamsalas, Viswakarmas, Pandikammala, Malayal- Kammala, Kannan, Moosari, Kalthachan, Kallasari, Perumkollen, Kollan, Thattan, Pandithattan, Thachan, Asari, Villasan, Vilkurup, Viswabrahmins, Kitara, Chaptegara.	81. Peruvannan (Varnavar)

ANNEXURE – VI

**Undertaking from the Students as per the provisions of anti-ragging verdict
by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India**

I, Mr./Ms. ………………………………………………..………..., Roll No…………………… Program: ………………………………... Student of …………………………………...… do hereby undertake on this day ……………… Month ……………… year …………………, the following with respect to above subject and Office Order No: …………………………………...

1) That I have read and understood the directives of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on anti-ragging and the measures proposed to be taken in the above references.
2) That I understand the meaning of Ragging and know that the ragging in any form is a punishable offence and the same is banned by the Court of Law.
3) That I have not been found or charged for my involvement in any kind of ragging in the past. However, I undertake to face disciplinary action/legal proceedings including expulsion from the Institute if the above statement is found to be untrue or the facts are concealed, at any stage in future.
4) That I shall not resort to ragging in any form at any place and shall abide by the rules/laws prescribed by the Courts, Govt. of India and Institute authorities for the purpose from time to time.

Signature of Student

I hereby fully endorse the undertaking made by my child/ward.

Signature of Mother/Father and or Guardian

Witness: …………………………………

नेशनल बैकवर्ड क्लासेज़ फाइनेन्स
एण्ड डेवलपमेण्ट कॉर्पोरेशन

(भारत सरकार का उपक्रम, सामाजिक न्याय और अधिकारिता मंत्रालय)

एन सी एफ डी सी
N B C F D C

National Backward Classes Finance
& Development Corporation

(A Govt. of India Undertaking, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment)

CSS Formula on ①
C 82/03/17

No.NBCFDC/PROJ/VC/2016-17/7398-
B   February 10, 2017-7614.

✓1. Ensure that the details are mentioned in all the prospectus of the Uty.
2. upload in the Uty website
3. Direct the Principals of Aff. Colleges to display in their notice boards
B 01/03/17

To

The Vice Chancellor
Kerala University, Thiruvananthapuram

Sir/Madam,

As you may kindly be aware that National Backward Classes Finance and Development Corporation (NBCFDC) is a Government of India Undertaking under the aegis of Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment. The Corporation provides financial assistance for the members of Backward Classes through nominated State Channelising Agency (SCA) in various States.

NBCFDC provides loan at concessional rate of interest through its Channelising Agencies notified by respective State Government/UTs as well as Public Sector Banks and several Gramin Banks (list appended).

One of NBCFDC's popular scheme is Education Loan Scheme under which the students belonging to Backward Classes having annual family income less than Rs.98,000/- in rural areas and Rs.1,20,000/- in urban areas pursuing higher professional courses in Universities/Colleges duly approved by Competent Authority such as UGC/AICTE, Medical Council of India, Indian Nursing Council, Ministry of Tourism etc. Loans upto Rs.10 Lakh can be advanced and the interest rate applicable under this scheme are 4% p.a. for male and 3.5% p.a. for female students. Details of the scheme are enclosed herewith.

The Education Loan will cover following :-

a)   Admission Fee;
b)   Annual Fee;
c)   Hostel Charges;
d)   Stationery, study material, laptop, computer etc.
e)   Insurance.

The scheme can be combined with "Central Scheme to provide interest subsidy for the period of moratorium on Eduational Loans taken by students from economically weaker sections from scheduled Banks under the Educational Loan Scheme of the Indian Bank's Association" of Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India, where details are available at their website **www.mhrd.gov.in**.

Contd...2/-

पंजीकृत कार्यालय : पंचम तल, एन.सी.यू.आई. बिल्डिंग, 3, सीरी इंस्टीट्यूशनल एरिया, अगस्त क्रांति मार्ग, पोस्ट बॉक्स नं० 4617, नई दिल्ली-110 016

Regd. Office : 5th Floor, N.C.U.I, Building, 3, Siri Institutional Area August Kranti Marg, Post Box No. 4617, New Delhi-110016
Tel.: 26511027, 26511028, 26568702 Fax : (011) 26850086 Visit us at : www.nbcfdc.gov.in E-mail : nbcfdc@del3.vsnl.net.in

However, with a view to ensuring timely recoveries, the loan is applicable for meritorious students among the Backward Classes, who have got admission on merit under non-payment seats in the Colleges/Institutes having excellent track record for placement of the successful students.

It is suggested that the students having less than 60% in their eligibility exam, may not be considered for Education Loan. Further, the NBCFDC also offers loans for students pursuing higher professional courses in the Universities abroad. However, the courses and the Universities should be recognized by Government of India. For this purpose, the Financing Corporation/Banks on behalf of students are required to get clearance regarding status of University from Association of India University (AIU) at the address below :-
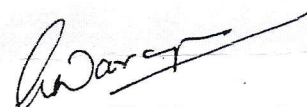
The Section Officer & Head Evaluation Div.
Association of Indian University,
AIU House, 16 Comrade Indrajit Gupta Marg, (Kotla Marg),
New Delhi-110002.
E-mail – evaluation@aiu.ac.in
Tel : 011- 23230059; 23232429; 23232305

The students would be required to submit a Demand Draft of Rs.1150/- in favour of **Association of Indian University (AIU)** to get the clearance, as mentioned above. In case the course and University is recognized by Government of India than the amount deposited will be refunded by AIU to the student.

It is requested that your College/Institute under its aegis of UGC may mention the Education Loan Scheme of NBCFDC in their prospectus for academic session 2017-18 onwards so that eligible students may take benefit of the concessional loan.

Thanking you,

Yours faithfully,

(K. Narayan)
Managing Director

Encl : a/a.

EDUCATION LOAN SCHEME

Objectives

To extend Education Loan to the members of Backward Classes for pursuing professional or technical education at graduate and higher level.

Eligibility

a) Members of Backward Classes, as notified by Central Government/State Governments from time to time.

b) The annual income of the applicant's family should be below double the poverty line i.e. Rs.1,20,000/- p.a. in urban areas and Rs.98, 000/- p.a. in rural areas.

c) The applicant should have obtained admission for any professional courses approved by appropriate authority such as AICTE, Medical Council of India, UGC etc.

Courses Covered

All professional and technical courses at graduate and higher level approved by appropriate authority such as AICTE, Medical Council of India, UGC etc.

Purpose of Loan

Admission Fee & Tuition Fee; Books; Stationery & other instruments required for the course; examination fee; boarding & lodging expenses; insurance premium for policy during the loan period and travel expense/passage money for studying abroad.

Maximum Loan Limit

90% of the expenditure of the course subject to maximum loan limit of Rs.10.00 Lakh per student or Rs.2.50 Lakh p.a. (for studying within India) & 85% of the expenditure of the course subject to maximum of Rs.20.00 Lakh per student (for studying abroad), the balance will be borne by student/SCAs.

Rate of Interest

i) From NBCFDC to SCA   :   1.5% p.a. *
ii) SCA to beneficiary   :   4% p.a. **

* 0.5% rebate on timely repayment of loan by SCAs
** girl students will get Education Loan at special concessional rate of interest @ 3.5% p.a.

Repayment Period

The moratorium, besides being co-terminus with the course for which loan has been obtained by the students, will have a further six months period for starting repayment after the completion of the course.

Security & Monitoring of Education Loans

The SCAs would ensure security of loan, tracking of beneficiaries' students and their monitoring during the loan period. The Education Loan Scheme would envisage providing Education Loan to the eligible students pursuing their higher professional courses in approved institutions only.

KERALA

21.   The Managing Director,
Kerala State Artisans' Development Corporation Ltd.
'Swagath', T.C. 12/755,
Govt. Law College Road, Vanchiyoor P.O.,
Thiruvananthapuram-695 035. Kerala.
Ph. 0471- 2302752, 2302746, Fax- 0471-2302749
E-mail - mdkadco@gmail.com;   Website - www.keralaartisans.com

22.   The Managing Director,
Kerala State Backward Classes Development Corporation Ltd.,
"SENTINEL", 2nd Floor,
T.C. 27/588 (7) & (8), Pattoor, Vanchiyoor (PO),
Thiruvananthapuram-695 035, Kerala.

23.   The Managing Director,
Kerala State Co-operative Federation for Fisheries Development Ltd.
(MATSYAFED),
Kamaleswaram, Manacaud P.O.,
Thiruvananthapuram-695 009,
Kerala.

24.   The Managing Director,
Kerala State Development Corporation for Christian Converts from SCs & The
Recommended Communities (Ltd.),
Near Railway Station, Nagampadom,
Kottayam-686002,
Kerala.

25.   The Managing Director,
Kerala State Palmyrah Products Development and
Workers Welfare Corporation Ltd.,
(KELPALM), Kumbhumvila, Arayoor P.O.,
Kottamom-695 122,
Kerala

26.   The Managing Director,
Kerala State Women's Development Corporation Ltd.,
"BASANT" T.C. 20/2170, Opp. Manmohan Bungalow,
Kowdiar P.O.,
Thiruvananthapuram-695 003 Kerala.

27.   The Managing Director,
Handicrafts Development Corporation of Kerala Ltd.,
Post Box No.171, Puthenchanthai,
Trivandrum-695 001, Kerala

28. The Managing Director,
Madhya Pradesh Hastshilp Evam Hatha Kargha Vikas Nigam,
Hastshilp Bhawan, Hamidia Road,
Bhopal-462001,
Madhya Pradesh.

29. The Managing Director,
Madhya Pradesh Pichhara Varg Tatha Alpasankhayak Vitta Avam Vikas Nigam,
Rajiv Gandhi Bhawan, Parisar-2, Ist Floor,
35 shyamla Hills, Bhopal-462 002,
Madhya Pradesh.

MAHARASHTRA

30. The Managing Director,
Maharashtra Rajya Itar Magas Vargiya Vitta Ani Vikas Mahamandal Ltd.,
Administrative Building, 4th Floor,
Ramakrishna Chamburkar Marg, Chambur,
Mumbai-400 071,
Maharashtra.

31. The Managing Director,
Vasantrao Naik Vimukta Jatis & Nomadic Tribes Development Corporation Ltd.,
Juhu Supreme Shopping Centre, Ist Floor,
Gulmohar Cross Road No.9, JVPD Scheme (North), Vile-Parle Scheme (West),
Mumbai-400 049, Maharashtra.

MANIPUR

32. The Managing Director,
Manipur State Women's Development Corporation,
Directorate Building, Near 2nd M.R. Gate
(Social Welfare Department Building),
Imphal-795001, Manipur.

ODISHA

33. The Managing Director,
Odisha Backward Classes Finance & Development Co-operative Corporation Ltd.,
Qrs. No. A/6, Unit-5, Near RajivBhawan,
Bhubaneswar-751001, Odisha