

**Government of Odisha  
Higher Education Department**

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From

Saswat Mishra, IAS  
Principal Secretary to Government

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**The Vice-Chancellor (All State Public Universities coming under Higher Education Department)**

**The Principals (All Government/ Non-Government Degree Colleges coming under Higher Education Department)**

Sub: Conduct of On-line Examination for 2020-21 UG and PG Final Year/Final Semester Students

Madam/Sir,

Due to continuing Covid-19 related dislocation, the academic calendar of Higher Education Institutions has been severely affected. Timely passing out of 2020-21 Final Year/Final Semester UG and PG students has become a cause of concern as their final examinations are yet to be conducted. University and college campuses are presently out of bounds for the students due to Covid-19 related restrictions. Teaching is continuing in on-line mode. The Covid-19 situation, though has improved to some extent, is likely to remain grim for the next two to three months due to the anticipated third wave. Under these circumstances, it is not likely that the University and college campuses will be made open for the students for physical class-room teaching and pen and paper mode examinations.

In this context, three rounds of consultative meeting was held by the Hon'ble Minister, Higher Education Department, Government of Odisha with the Vice Chancellors of all State Public Universities and College Principals on 12.06.2021, 18.06.2021 and 25.06.2021. After a thorough discussion on all relevant issues and in order to ensure timely passing out of 2020-21 Final Year/Final Semester UG and PG students; a consensus decision was taken as given below.

1. Final Year/ Final Semester examinations will be held in the month of July/August of 2021 in on-line mode, for the 2020-21 U.G. and P.G. Final Year/ Final Semester students. The result will be published in the month of August/September of 2021.
2. All Back Paper examinations will be held in on-line mode by the end of July/August of 2021 for these students as well as already passed out students.
3. The date of examination will be decided by the concerned Universities/ Autonomous Colleges.
4. Students can appear the said on-line examination from their home or any place suitable to them. They can also appear the said on-line examination from any nearby Degree College as per their convenience.
5. The process/modalities of on-line examination will be intimated to the students by the concerned Universities/ Autonomous Colleges.
6. Interactive doubt clearing classes will be conducted in on-line mode till mid-July to end of July, 2021.
7. To ensure smooth conduct of the on-line examination, university and college teachers shall be assigned mentoring duty for a group of students. These mentor-teachers shall constantly talk to their mentee-students through telephone or in any other mode and prepare the students for on-line examination. The list of mentor teachers along with the name of their mentee-students (with telephone number of mentee-students) must be uploaded in the University/ College website latest by 30.06.2021.
8. All these above mentioned decisions are meant only for 2020-21 Final Year/ Final Semester students.
9. Decision regarding examination for the students of all other Years/ Semesters shall be decided later.

This is for your kind information and immediate necessary action.

Yours faithfully,



Principal Secretary to Government

**Memo No. 25111 /HE, Dated, 28/ 06/2021**

Copy forwarded to Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Hon'ble Chancellor of State Public Universities, Raj Bhavan, Bhubaneswar, Odisha for kind information of Hon'ble Chancellor.



Principal Secretary to Government

**Memo No. 25112 /HE, Dated, 28/ 06/2021**

Copy forwarded to P.S. to Hon'ble Minister, Higher Education Department for kind information of Hon'ble Minister.



Principal Secretary to Government

**Memo No. 25113 /HE, Dated, 28/ 06/2021**

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Principal Secretary to Government

**Memo No. 25114 /HE, Dated, 28/ 06/2021**

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Principal Secretary to Government

**Memo No. 25115 /HE, Dated, 28/ 06/2021**

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