

## GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT DISPUR, GUWAHATI-6

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### Ecf No.255270/2024/79

#### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Pursuant to the decisions of the NEP implementation committee meetings held on 16 March 2024 and 11 July 2024, the Department is pleased to notify the following points for necessary action by the concerned higher educational institution.

#### Lateral entry:

- a. To enable lateral entry from polytechnics, the students must have a qualification level of 4.5 as per NCrF. Prior learning in the Polytechnic curriculum needs to be mapped, and equivalence needs to be drawn to treat the courses in the 3rd year of Polytechnics at par with the courses in the 1st Year of the Four Year Undergraduate Programme, as per the Cabinet decision in this regard.
- b. All other multiple entry-multiple exits for HEIs other than from Polytechnics will be as per the relevant UGC and AICTE guidelines and the Govt. of Assam's O.M./Notification issued earlier in this regard.
- c. The institution may increase the number of supernumerary seats by 5-20 per cent, subject to feasibility based on Infrastructure and Faculty availability. However, the range will be 5-10 per cent in the case of Technical Institutions, as per AICTE guidelines.
- d. The modalities and prerequisites/prior learning for Horizontal Mobility (multiple entry-multiple exit) and Lateral entry for students from Polytechnics in the 3rd Semester admission in the year 2024 need to be based on the following criteria.
  - i. Students applying for Lateral entry in a particular programme-discipline combination must fulfil the eligibility criteria and norms required for admission to the same program-discipline combination in the 1<sup>st</sup> semester.
  - ii. Students applying for Lateral entry in a particular programme-discipline combination must mandatorily complete (pass) courses in that discipline (department) either as a Major or Minor with a minimum of 45 per cent marks (40 per cent for reserved category). Reservation policy, as per government rules, is to be followed in granting admission.
  - iii. Students applying for Lateral entry in a particular program-discipline combination will be subject to the vacancy of seats (within the supernumerary limit) in that programme-discipline-Major/Minor combination in the College/University
- e. The institution may increase supernumerary seats by 5-20 per cent, subject to feasibility based on Infrastructure and Faculty availability, as per UGC guidelines. However, the range will be 5-10 per cent in the case of Technical Institutions, as per AICTE guidelines.

- f. An additional 5 per cent of supernumerary seats may be enhanced for International students. The concerned affiliating universities or autonomous colleges will decide upon the modalities of credit equivalence and credit requirements for international students.
- g. Detailed guidelines and SoP for Credit equivalence methodology for lateral entrants from Polytechnics will follow soon and will be notified accordingly.

This comes into force with immediate effect.

(Shri Narayan Konwar, IAS) Secretary to the Govt. of Assam Higher Education Department.

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- 1) The Director of Higher Education/Director of Technical Education, Assam for kind information.
- 2) The Registrar, All State Universities of Assam for kind information and necessary action
- 3) The Principal, All Autonomous Colleges for kind information and necessary action
- 4) The Principal, All Govt/Provincialized/PDUAM/Govt. Model Colleges of Assam

**By order etc.,** Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department