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Equivalence of degree obtained through ODL and Online mode with degree obtained through conventional mode

The Regulation 22 of the University Grants Commission (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations, 2020 stipulates as under;

"Equivalence of qualification acquired through Conventional or Open and Distance Learning and Online modes.— Degrees at undergraduate and postgraduate level in conformity with UGC notification on Specification of Degrees, 2014 and post graduate diplomas awarded through Open and Distance Learning mode and/or Online mode by Higher Educational Institutions, recognised by the Commission under these regulations, shall be treated as equivalent to the corresponding awards of the Degrees at undergraduate and postgraduate level and post graduate diplomas offered through conventional mode."

This is for information of the general public, students and other stakeholders.

(Rajnish Jain)



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GOVERNMENT OF KERALA Co-Operation (B) Department NOTIFICATION

G.O.(P)No.150/2025/Co Op Dated, Thiruvananthapuram, 31.10.2025
S. R. O. No. 1264/2025

In exercise of the powers conferred by section 109 of the Kerala Co-operative Societies Act, 1969, (Act 21 of 1969), the Government of Kerala hereby make following rules further to amend the Co-Operative Societies Rules 1969, the same having been previously published under Notification No.Co-op-B1/141/2021-Co-op dated 14th February, 2023 in the Kerala



Gazette Extraordinary No.604 dated 20th February 2023, as required by sub-section (1) of section 109 of the said Act namely:-

RULES

1. *Short title and commencement.*- (1) These rules may be called the Kerala Co-operative Societies (Second Amendment) Rules, 2025.

(2) They shall come into force at once.

2. *Amendment of the Rules.*- In the Kerala Co-operative Societies Rules, 1969, in rule 186,-

(1) the Note below item (c) of sub-rule (1A), shall be omitted;

(2) after sub-rule (4), the following sub-rule shall be inserted,
namely :-

“(5) The incumbent who had acquired the qualification of any degree from any universities, recognized by University Grants Commission shall be eligible for appointment through the Kerala Public Service Commission, Co-operative Service Examination Board and for promotion in all Co-operative Banks/Societies”.

By order of the Governor,
DR.VEENA N. MADHAVAN
Special Secretary

Explanatory Note

(This does not form part of the notification, but is intended to indicate its general purport)

The Note under item (c) of sub-rule (1A) of Rule 186 of the Kerala Co-operative Societies Rule 1969, provides that an incumbent who has acquired the qualification of graduation from a University other than the



Universities in Kerala, shall produce equivalency certificate from any of the Universities in Kerala. The Higher Education Department as per G.O. (Ms)No.272/2018/HEDN dated 13th November, 2018 has issued norms/guidelines relating to equivalency/recognition of academic programmes wherein it is specified that no equivalency/recognition shall be insisted upon for Degrees obtained from National Institutes like, Indian Institutes of Technology (IITs), Indian Institute of Science (IISc), National Institutes of Technology (NITs), Indian Institutes of Science Education and Research (IISERs) or other institutions recognized by University Grants Commission (UGC). This order is being implemented by Kerala Public Service Commission. Accordingly the Government have considered the matter in detail and decided to amend the Kerala Co-operative Societies Rules, 1969, to incorporate the directions contained in the order in the Co-operative sector. The draft rules were published as required under sub-section (1) of section 109 of the Kerala Co-operative Societies Act, 1969 as per Notification No. Co-op B1/141/2021/Co-op dated 14th February, 2023 in the Kerala Gazette Extraordinary No.604 dated 20th February 2023, inviting suggestions or objections if any, in respect of the said draft rules. Government, after considering the suggestions and objections received, have decided to make amendments to the said rules suitably.

This notification is intended to achieve the above object.

