

**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: Commencement of Physical Classroom teaching for 2021-22 First Year U.G. & First Year P.G. students (Freshly admitted) in Universities and Colleges w.e.f. 01.11.2021 & 15.11.2021 respectively

Madam/Sir,


Classroom teaching of First Year U.G. and First Year P.G. students (Freshly admitted) for the session 2021-22 will start from 01.11.2021 and 15.11.2021 respectively in physical mode by following appropriate Covid-19 prevention protocols as given below.

- a. Face Mask/ Face Cover shall be mandatory.
- b. Frequent Hand Wash/ Hand Sanitization shall be ensured.
- c. Social Distancing shall be adopted in classrooms, libraries, laboratories, etc.
- d. Spitting in campus shall be strictly prohibited.
- e. Respiratory etiquettes shall be strictly followed. (i.e. Covering one's mouth and nose by handkerchief while coughing/ sneezing)
- f. Self-monitoring of health and reporting of illness should be encouraged.
- g. There must be an isolation room ready for any emergency.

Hostels facilities shall also be made available for those students who have taken admission in hostels. All possible Covid-19 prevention protocols shall be followed in hostels.

State Private Universities (under H.E. Department) may also consider following these guidelines to the extent required by them.

Yours faithfully,

  
Principal Secretary to Government

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

  
Principal Secretary to Government

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Principal Secretary to Government

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Copy forwarded to Vice-Chairperson, Odisha State Higher Education Council/ SPD, OHEPEE, Text Book Bureau, Bhubaneswar for kind information.

  
Principal Secretary to Government

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Principal Secretary to Government

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Principal Secretary to Government