

**Government of Odisha  
Higher Education Department**

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No.: 1103 /HE, Dated: 07/01/2022  
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From

Saswat Mishra, IAS  
Principal Secretary to Government

To

**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: Functioning of State Public Universities and All Degree Colleges (coming under Higher Education Department) w.e.f. 10.01.2022

Madam/Sir,

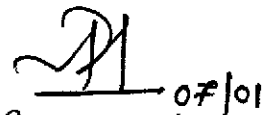
Vide Order No.107/R&DM (DM) dated 07.01.2022 of the office of Special Relief Commissioner (Government of Odisha), the State Government have decided to close all colleges/universities from 10.01.2022 to 31.01.2022 in view of the worsening COVID-19 situation. In para-4 of the said order, the Administrative Departments have been authorized to bring out detailed SOP/ Guidelines/ Circulars in this context. In view of this, the following guideline is hereby issued for colleges and universities under the administrative control of Higher Education Department.

- (1) All physical classroom teaching (theory as well as practical) shall remain suspended from 10.01.2022 to 31.01.2022. Instead, online classes shall be held during this period.
- (2) The college/university authority will decide roster duty for teaching and non-teaching employees in such a way that 50% of such employees attend office on any working day; of course subject to urgent and important work not getting affected. All such employees should be

absolutely ready to come to the college/university on any working day if called by their authorities for any office work. Teachers not required to come to college/university due to roster arrangement shall, however, conduct online classes from home without fail. PWD-category teachers shall be allowed to take online classes from their home on all working days.

- (3) All offline examinations scheduled to be held between 10.01.2022 to 31.01.2022 shall be postponed.
- (4) Hostels shall remain closed from 10.01.2022 to 31.01.2022. However, those hosteller who want to stay in hostel for pursuing academic activities shall be allowed to stay in hostel on giving undertaking to the effect that the college/university authority would not be held responsible for their personal health.
- (5) Research/Project activities in college/university shall continue and research scholars and students doing project work shall be allowed to come to college/university for doing research/project work.

Yours faithfully,



Principal Secretary to Government

**Memo No. 1104 /HE, Dated, 07/01/2022**

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



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**Memo No. 1105 /HE, Dated, 07/01/2022**

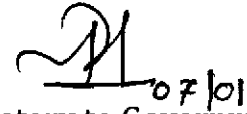
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Principal Secretary to Government

**Memo No. 1106 /HE, Dated, 07/01/2022**

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**Memo No. 1107 /HE, Dated, 07/01/2022**

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



Principal Secretary to Government

**Memo No. 1108 /HE, Dated, 07/01/2022**

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Principal Secretary to Government

**Memo No. 1109 /HE, Dated, 07/01/2022**

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**Memo No. 1110 /HE, Dated, 07/01/2022**

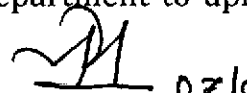
Copy forwarded to all Regional Directors of Education (Bhubaneswar/ Balasore/ Berhampur/ Sambalpur/ Jeypore) for information.



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**Memo No. 1111 /HE, Dated, 07/01/2022**

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