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From

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Joint Secretary to Government

To

The Registrars
(All State Public Universities under Higher Education Department)
The Principals
(All Government / Non-Government Aided Colleges under Higher Education Department)

Sub: Implementation of learning and upskilling programmes in collaboration with Odisha Knowledge Corporation Limited (OKCL) – Registration of interested students and faculty members – regarding.

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to inform you that the Higher Education Department, Government of Odisha, has entered into an MoU with **Odisha Knowledge Corporation Limited (OKCL)** on **5th of September, 2026** in the presence of Hon'ble Education Minister of Odisha for offering various learning, skilling and upskilling programmes for students and faculty members of Higher Education Institutions.

In this regard, OKCL is offering **complimentary programmes** (free of cost) for the participating institutions or beneficiaries, covering areas such as English Communication, Digital Literacy, Career Guidance and Artificial Intelligence, among others. Interested students and faculty members may register for the programmes as per the details provided in the enclosed **Annexure-I.**

The Institutions are requested to widely disseminate the programme details and facilitate registration of interested students and faculty members. Participants may receive certificates upon successful completion, wherever applicable. The Interested students may also opt for the self-financed courses offered by OKCL, subject to the applicable course-wise terms and conditions.

This may be accorded priority for necessary action.

Encl; **Annexure-I**.

Yours faithfully,

Joint Secretary to Government

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Joint Secretary to Government

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Joint Secretary to Government

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Joint Secretary to Government

ANNEXURE-I

OKCL

Details of Learning, Skilling and Upskilling Programmes offered by Odisha Knowledge Corporation Limited (OKCL)

Odisha Knowledge Corporation Limited (OKCL), in collaboration with the Department of Higher Education, Government of Odisha, is offering the following programmes for students and faculty members of Higher Education Institutions in Odisha.

A. Complimentary Programmes – Free of Cost

The following programmes are being offered on a **complimentary basis, without any financial liability** on the participating Higher Education Institutions or beneficiaries:

Sl. No.	Programme	Target Group	Duration	Major Focus
1.	**English Learning Programme**	Students	30 Hours	English Communication, Digital Learning and Employability Skills
2.	**Artificial Intelligence Course**	Students	10 Hours	Basic AI Concepts, Applications and AI Literacy
3.	**AI Orientation Programme**	Faculty Members/Teachers	5 Hours	AI Awareness and Applications in Teaching and Learning
4.	**Other Complimentary Programmes**	Students/Faculty Members	As applicable	Communication Skills, Digital Literacy, Career Guidance, Artificial Intelligence and other employability-oriented skills

Key Features:

- The above complimentary programmes are free of cost.
- Courses are delivered through the OKCL Learning Companion Learning Management System (LMS), enabling flexible online learning.
- Participants may receive certificates upon successful completion, wherever applicable.
- Interested students and faculty members may register for the programmes through the prescribed registration mechanism.

B. Faculty Upskilling Programme – OS-ACIT

Programme	Target Group	Duration	Coverage	Target
OS-ACIT	College Lecturers/Faculty Members	144 Hours – Blended	AI-enabled teaching tools, e-content creation and techno-pedagogy	20,000 College Lecturers

The programme is aimed at strengthening the digital and AI-enabled teaching capabilities of college faculty members.

C. like Credit Courses for Students

OKCL also offers a catalogue of 200+ creditized skill courses under the like programme.

Particular	**Details**
Target Group	Students of Higher Education Institutions
Credits	1–4 Credits
Duration	30 Hours per Credit
Key Areas	Artificial Intelligence, Data Analytics, Cyber Security, Tally ERP/Accounting, Digital Marketing, Web Design and other emerging skills
Framework Alignment	NEP 2020, NCrF and NHEQF
Delivery	Through OKCL Learning Management System (LMS)
Certification	Certification by the respective University/OKCL, as applicable
Academic Credits	Earned credits may be uploaded to the student's Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) ID, as applicable

D. Self-Financed Courses

In addition to the complimentary programmes, interested students may also opt for self-financed courses offered through the OKCL platform, subject to the applicable course-wise fees, eligibility and terms and conditions.

Registration

All interested students and faculty members are encouraged to register for the programmes through the registration link**: www.okcl.org.**

Note: The detailed course offerings, eligibility, registration process, schedule and other applicable terms shall be as communicated by OKCL from time to time.