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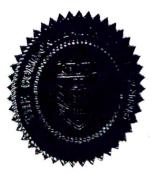


Commonwealth of Learning

AWARD OF EXCELLENCE for INSTITUTIONAL ACHIEVEMENT

Conferred upon Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University

on 11 September 2019



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Award of Excellence for Institutional Achievement

The Award of Excellence for Institutional Achievement honours significant institutional achievement in innovative and effective application of learning technologies and open and distance methodologies, which reach students who might not otherwise have participated in the learning or training experience.

Since its establishment in 1989, the Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University (YCMOU) has quickly progressed to become a mega university currently serving 650,000 learners. With a view to ensuring the inclusive and equitable quality education and promoting lifelong opportunities for all, YCMOU has developed a truly innovative, flexible and open system of education.

Through the application of modern technologies and adoption of the distance education methodology, YCMOU has successfully catered to the needs of diverse learners - from prison inmates to farmers to differently abled persons. It has shown exemplary leadership in "reaching the unreached" learners in remote village and tribal communities. Other notable institutional accomplishments include innovative ways of using technology for registration, training, assessment and certification to promote learning for students from rural and urban regions of Maharashtra.

YCMOU has aligned its objectives to reach the global Sustainable Development Goals and is addressing the issues of employability and skills development through a number of initiatives.

Previously recognised with a COL Award of Excellence for Institutional Achievements in 2001-2002, YCMOU has raised its quality standards in education even higher. It is an example of an institution that impacts positively on those who otherwise had no hope for a better future.

Ladies and gentlemen, as the convener of the adjudication panel, it gives me great pleasure to request that the President and CEO of the Commonwealth of Learning present the Award of Excellence for Institutional Achievement to the Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University.

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