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Few of the outcomes from his minor research project have been adopted for the improvement of quality of the study material for the programme- "Diploma in Agro-Journalism".

The outcomes from his minor research project were:

- The need to improve and revise the presentation of the courses and to simplify the difficult topics.
- The knowledge in the field of Agro-Journalism programme continuously updates hence the need of updating the program is noted. This revisions and changes shall be made as the needs changes in the job market.

The School of Agricultural Sciences considered these two outcomes for revision and updating of "Diploma in Agro-Journalism Programme" by providing supplementary book "Agro-Journalism Book" for the course: AGR-221-224 with ISBN: 978-81-8055-437-7, published in the year 2016.

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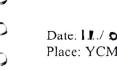
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Date: 11/ 9.4 /2012 Place: YCMOU, Nashik



Research Project

"A Case Study on: Suitability of Self Study Material of Diploma in Agro-Journalism programme".

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Abstract

Yashwantrao Chavan, Maharashtra Open University (YCMOU) was established on 1st July, 1989. This university is fully empowered to award various academic certifications like certificates, diplomas, and graduate, post-graduate and doctoral degrees. This University has played a major role in the vocational /technical trainings of the urban and providing the self employable education. The provision of community education courses and a wide range of other non-formal education programmes via the distance education mode highlight a commitment not only to equity and access, but also to the recognition that education is an ongoing, lifelong process. YCMOU keeps on the practice of quality improvement of the study material provided for the various programmes. The present research paper focuses on the feedback study for the quality improvement of self study material of Diploma in Agro-Journalism programme in perception of the students.

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Internal Communication Sheet

From: Mr. Rajendra Wagh

Subject: Submission of revised research

proposal

To : Hon. Vice Chancellor

Date : 09/03/2015

With reference to the Meeting dated 3rd March 2015, revised research proposal is submitted as follows:

Research Proposal : A Case Study on : Suitability of Self Study Material of Diploma in Agrojournalism Programme

Area of Research: Programme Evaluation

The research proposal is kindly submitted for the approval and sanction of proposed grants.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

Mr. Rajendra Wagh Assistant Professor School of Agricultural Sciences

Enclosed:

1. Revised research proposal

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Note on Proposed Research Project

A Case Study on: Suitability of Self Study Material of Diploma in Agro-Journalism programme

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Introduction

The Yashwantrao Chavan Maharashtra Open University (YCMOU) was established in July 1989 by ACT.XX(1989) of the Maharashtra State Legislature. Besides YCMOU, there are Thirteen other open universities established in India.. This university is fully empowered to award various academic certifications like certificates, diplomas, and graduate, post-graduate and doctoral degrees. This University has played a major role in the vocational /technical trainings of the urban and Rural both.

The School of Agricultural Sciences is the innovative school of Academic Division having large number of Educational Programs and Courses, planned to fulfil the needs of farmers and farming community including government functionaries and officials. The major emphasis is given to the field of Agriculture and Horticulture Development, Agri-Business Management, Agricultural Communication, Agricultural Extension and Agricultural Development including use of Information Communication Technology (ICT) in Agriculture.

University has done specific efforts in providing the self employable education. Diploma in Agro-Journalism programme is one of the best examples of self employable education. It is launched in 2007 by YCMOU. This programme has caught up since and catering to the long-felt need of vocational training in the area of Agricultural Journalism skills.

It is a programme of one year duration. Diploma in Agro-Journalism programme consists of Four theory courses and Four practical courses. The minimum qualification of admission for this programme is Foundation in Agricultural Sciences passed or Agricultural Diploma (Diploma Programme of Agricultural University) passed. The total credit points of the programme are 32. The four courses, (each of 8 credit points with 4 credit points for theory component and 4 credit points for Practical component) included in this programme are: Principles and Practices of Soil Sciences (AGR-201), Principles and Practices of Plant Sciences (AGR-202), Principles and Practices of Plant Protection (AGR-203) and Principles and Practices of Crop Production (AGR-204.)

YCMOU is the first Open University in India who launched a programme in this area with an up-to-the-minute content. The Diploma in Agro-Journalism programme, being a unique programme of its kind and is designed to provide the technical skills, it is needed to study in greater details to enhance the quality of content. With this view the research will carried out. The opinions and views of learners can play a critical role in evaluating the programme. This information will be highly instructive and may focus on:

- Perception of the learners about this programme
- Necessary modifications in the course curriculum, course structure and the course



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Sub: Allocation of Development Grant for the Financial Year 2014-15-Enclosures to the Sanction Letter -reg.

Dear Sir/Madam,

This has reference to the Sanction Letter No. UGC/DEB/SOU/DevGr/14-15/1356 dated 31-12-2014 allocating the Development Grant of Rs.33000000/- to your University and further release of Rs.2,31,00,000/- as the first Installment. The amount has already been to the University through online transaction. The same may kindly be acknowledge. The Sanction Letter is supposed to carry the following two documents which have missed inadvertently and the same are being sent now for further necessary action at your end:

i) Guidelines for proposed expenditure (Annexure-I)

ii) Approved rates for course material (Annexure-II)

Inconvenience caused is regretted.

Encl.

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Yours faithfully,

(Dr S W Pulist)
Deputy Director
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