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D.O. No.1-21/2021(SWAYAM)

2nd December, 2022

Subject: National Webinar on "India's Arctic Policy: Scope & Opportunities".

Respected Madam/Sir,

This is with reference to the UGC's earlier letter no. D.O. No.1-21/2021(SWAYAM) dated 12.04.2022(copy attached), wherein UGC has informed regarding the release of India's Arctic Policy, by the Government of India. UGC has also requested all the Higher Education Institution (HEIs) to submit proposals for development of MOOCs at UG/PG level for the SWAYAM Platform on the six pillars of India's Arctic Policy (IAP) and requested HEIs to create awareness among Universities, Colleges about availability of courses, job and research opportunities in the area of Arctic/Polar Studies.

To take this initiative forward, the UGC is organising a **National Webinar on "India's Arctic Policy: Scope & Opportunities"** on 9th December, 2022 from 2:00PM onwards.

The eminent speaker would include Dr. M. Ravichandran, Secretary, Ministry of Earth Sciences (MoES), Govt. of India and Shri Shailesh Nayak, former Secretary, MoES.

I take this opportunity to cordially invite you along with students, faculty and other stakeholders of your esteemed Institutions for joining the Webinar and gain valuable insights from experts.

The programme can be joined LIVE via: UGC YouTube Channel : <http://bit.ly/3Cur7gm>, UGC Twitter: <https://bit.ly/3gQZW7I> & UGC Facebook page : <http://bit.ly/3AYDNLi> .

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,


(P. K. Thakur)

To,

1. The Vice-Chancellors of All Universities
2. The Principals of All Colleges
3. The Directors of all CFTIs



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PROGRAMME SCHEDULE

National Webinar on “India’s Arctic Policy: Scope & Opportunities”

Date : 9th December, 2022, Time: 02:00 PM Onwards.

Time Schedule	Event
2:00 PM – 2:15 PM	Participants Welcome and background on “India’s Arctic Policy” from the Strategic, Climate Change, Energy, Disaster Management And Economic Prospective by Prof. Mamidala Jagdesh Kumar, Chairman UGC.
	Speakers
2:15 PM – 2:35 PM	“Implications of Arctic change in India” by Dr. M. Ravichandran, Secretary, Ministry of Earth Sciences, Government of India
2:35 PM – 2:55 PM	“India’s Strategy for the Polar Region” by Shri Shailesh Nayak, Former Secretary, Ministry of Earth Sciences, Government of India.
2:55 PM – 3:15 PM	Talk on U-Arctic by Dr. Lars Kullerud, President, UArctic
3:15 PM onwards	Question and Answer Session



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F.No.1-21/2021(SWAYAM/Arctic Study)

12.04.2022

Subject :- Inviting Online proposals for development of MOOCs at UG/PG level for the SWAYAM Platform, on the six pillars of India's Arctic Policy (IAP).

Respected Madam/Sir,

The Government of India released India's Arctic Policy titled 'India and the Arctic: building a partnership for Sustainable Development' on 17th March, 2022. The Policy may be seen at <https://www.moes.gov.in/sites/default/files/2022-03/compressed-SINGLE-PAGE-ENGLISH.pdf>

India's Arctic Policy would play an essential role in preparing the country for a future where humankind's biggest challenges, like climate change, can be addressed through collective will and effort.

Implementing India's Arctic Policy will involve multiple stakeholders, including academia, the research community, business, and industry. There is a need to create awareness among Universities, Colleges about availability of courses, job and research opportunities in the area of Arctic/Polar Studies.

Also, earlier on the basis of a meeting held at National Security Council Secretariat, wherein it was decided to generate Course content on Arctic / Polar Studies for inclusion of courses on SWAYAM Platform (www.swayam.gov.in).

In this regard, UGC requests all the Vice Chancellors of Universities, Directors of IITs, Principals of all Colleges to submit proposals for development of MOOCs at UG/PG level for the SWAYAM Platform, on the following six pillars of India's Arctic Policy (IAP):

- I. Science and Research
- II. Climate and Environmental Protection
- III. Economic and Human Development
- IV. Transportation and Connectivity
- V. Governance and international cooperation, and
- VI. National Capacity Building

The proposal may only be submitted online at the link <https://swayam.inflibnet.ac.in/> before **15.05.2022**.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely

(Rajnish Jain)

Encl: As above.

To,

1. The Vice Chancellors of all Universities
2. The Principals of all Colleges
3. The Directors of all IITs