Reservations and Concessions in Admissions

1. **Reservation of seats for SC and ST candidates:**
   In accordance with the policy of the Government of India and the guidelines of the University Grants Commission, the University has reserved 15% of seats in each Programme for candidates belonging to the Scheduled Castes and 7.5% for those belonging to the Scheduled Tribes, with a provision for interchangeability between these categories, wherever necessary. Candidates seeking reservation should submit a copy of the certificate of their caste/tribe from a Revenue Officer not below the rank of Tehsildar/ Mandal Revenue Officer at the time of interview, admission/counselling.

2. **Reservation of Seats for OBC (Non Creamy layers) candidates:**
   In accordance with the policy of the Govt. of India and the guidelines of the University Grants Commission, 27% of the seats in each Programme are reserved for the OBC (non-creamy layer category) candidates. There is no relaxation in minimum qualifications for admission and no concession in the entrance examination fee for the OBCs. Candidates claiming reservation under this category must enclose the self-attested copy of the OBC (non-creamy layer) certificate issued by a competent authority in the format prescribed by Government of India not later than 6 months from the time of admission without which their claim will not be considered under OBC category (Annexure-I).

3. **Reservation of Seats for Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) candidates:**
   A reservation of 10% of seats on approved intake in each course (except in B.Ed. programme) is provided to EWSs candidates. (N.B.: The EWS reservation in B.Ed. programme will be included after getting permission from NCTE.) In accordance with the provisions of the Constitution (One Hundred and Third Amendment) Act 2019, and the reference of Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment vide OM No. 20013/01/2018-BC-II dated 17th January 2019, enabling provision of reservation for the Economically Weaker Sections (EWSs) who are not covered under the existing scheme of reservations for the Scheduled Castes, the Scheduled Tribes and the Socially and Educationally Backward Classes, it has been decided to provide reservation in admission to educational institutions subject to a maximum of ten per cent of total seats in each category. The number of seats available, excluding those reserved for the persons belonging to the EWSs, is not less than the number of such seats available, in each category, for the academic session immediately preceding the date of the coming into force of this O.M. The candidates belonging to EWSs, he/she has to claim at the time of filling up the application form specified. The benefit of reservation under EWS can be availed upon production of an Income and Asset Certificate issued by any one of the Competent Authority in the prescribed format as given in Annexure-IV.

   “The Appointment/ Admission is provisional and is subject to the Income and asset certificate being verified through the proper channels and if the verification reveals that the claim to belong to EWS is fake/false the Services/ Admission will be Terminated/ Cancelled forthwith without assigning any further reasons and without
prejudice to such further action as may be taken under the provisions of the Indian Penal Code for production of fake/false certificate.”

Criteria of Income & Assets: Persons who are not covered under the scheme of reservation for SCs, STs and OBCs and whose family has gross annual income below Rs.8.00 lakh (Rupees eight lakh only) are to be identified as EWSs for benefit of reservation. Income shall also include income from all sources i.e. salary, agriculture, business, profession, etc. for the financial year prior to the year of application. Also persons whose family owns or possesses any of the following assets shall be excluded from being identified as EWS, irrespective of the family income:

i. 5 acres of agricultural land and above,
ii. Residential flat of 1000 sq. ft. and above,
iii. Residential plot of 100 sq. yards and above in notified municipalities;
iv. Residential plot of 200 sq. yards and above in areas other than the notified municipalities.

The property held by a “Family” in different locations or different places/ cities would be clubbed while applying the land or property holding test to determine EWS status. The term “Family” for this purpose will include the person who seeks benefit of reservation, his/her parents, and siblings below the age of 18 years as also his/ her spouse and children below the age of 18 years.

4. Reservation of Seats for the Persons with Disability (PwD) candidates:
   i. A supernumerary reservation of 5% of seats on approved intake in each course (except in B.Ed. programme, where it is horizontal in nature) is provided for the physically challenged candidates having a minimum degree of disability to the extent of 40% provided that their physical disability does not come in the way of pursuing the course. This is split into: 2% for visually challenged (VH), 2% for hearing impaired (HI) and 1% for orthopedically handicapped (OH) candidates with a provision of interchangeability. The minimum eligibility requirements prescribed are relaxed in their cases as in the cases of the SC/ST candidates. The candidates under this category should take the entrance examination for admission.
   ii. Physically challenged candidates are required to submit a certificate from a Medical Board/Civil Surgeon of a Govt. Hospital indicating the extent of visual/physical disability and also the extent to which the disability hampers the candidate in pursuing her/his studies. a) Physically challenged (OH/HI) students shall be exempted from the payment of the tuition fee. b) Visually challenged (VH) students shall be exempted from payment of all fees except the Caution Money.
   iii. The candidates under this category may have to undergo a fresh medical examination, if so prescribed by the University, before being admitted.
   iv. Visually challenged candidates appearing for the entrance examinations will be given an extra time of 20 minutes per each one hour paper of examination.
   v. Visually challenged candidates are provided Readers Allowance, Scribe Fees as per rule.
   vi. Persons with benchmark disabilities shall be given an upper age relaxation of five years.
As per the MHRD Instructions, the following concessions will be provided to the Kashmiri migrant students:
1. Relaxation in cut-off percentage upto 10% subject to minimum eligibility requirements.
2. Increase in intake capacity upto 5% programme wise.
3. Reservation of at least one seat in the merit quota in technical/professional Institutions.
4. Waiving of domicile requirements.

6. Reservation of seats for the wards of Ex-Servicemen and self:
In addition to the above, 5% of seats reserved for wards of the defence personnel/self as per the rules and the details are as follows:
i) Widows/Wards of the defence personnel killed in action;
ii) Wards of the serving personnel and ex-serviceman disabled in action;
iii) Widows/Wards of the defence personnel who died in peace time with death attributable to military service;
iv) Wards of defence personnel disabled in peace time with disability attributable to military service; Reservation of seats (except for B.Ed. programme) for PwD, Wards of Ex-Serviceman and others would be supernumerary seats over and above the approved intake in each programme.

Note: The above 6 categories of candidates have to produce original certificates in support of the reservation at the time of admission, failing which it will not be considered.