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**GOVERNMENT OF ODISHA  
HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

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From

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Commissioner-cum-Secretary to Government

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**The Chairman  
Odisha Public Service Commission  
19, Cantonment Rd, Buxi Bazaar  
Cuttack, Odisha 753001**

Sub: Amendment of the Odisha Universities Act, 1989 – Selection of teachers  
for Universities to be done by Odisha Public Service Commission –  
Regarding

Sir,

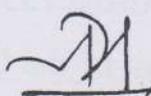
The State Public Universities, as listed in Annexure-I, come under the purview of the Odisha Universities Act, 1989. The Act has been very recently amended through “The Odisha Universities (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020”, notified vide Law Department Notification No.8219-I-Legis-35/2020/L Dated 04.09.2020 and published in the Odisha Gazette on 04.09.2020. Copy of the Gazette publication is enclosed herewith for your kind perusal in Annexure-II.

Before the said amendment, selection of teachers for direct recruitment in these Universities, at all levels (Assistant Professor, Associate Professor and Professor), was used to be done by a committee of the University headed by the Vice-Chancellor concerned by following UGC regulations and guidelines. But, after the said amendment, the responsibility of selection of teachers, at all levels, for direct recruitment in these Universities has been assigned to the Odisha Public Service Commission.

The Commission is, therefore, requested to initiate selection process at the earliest after receiving requisitions from Registrars of these Universities. If need be, the Commission may kindly consider to have a preliminary meeting with Higher Education Department and the Universities in this regard.

This is for your kind information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully

  
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Copy forwarded to the Vice-Chancellors/Registrars of Utkal University, Berhampur University, Sambalpur University, Ravenshaw University, Ramadevi Women's University, Shri Jagannath Sanskrit University, Khallikote University, Gangadhar Meher University, North Odisha University, Fakir Mohan University, Kalahandi University and Rajendra University for kind information and necessary action. All ongoing selection process for direct recruitment of teachers, if currently being done at University level, should be stopped forthwith. Necessary requisition should be filed with the OPSC by the Registrars at the earliest so that the Commission can initiate the selection process.

**Promotion under Career Advancement Scheme (CAS) is not a direct recruitment. Therefore, the Universities are competent to take up promotion of their existing teachers under CAS, as usual, as per UGC regulations and guidelines.**

  
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