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Subject: Result of UGC EoI for development of MOOCs under five thematic areas of Environmental Studies.

UGC is pleased to announce the selection of Course Coordinators for the development and delivery of the MOOC **under five thematic areas of Environmental Studies** for the SWAYAM platform.

Following the Expression of Interest (EOI) process, a total of 262 proposals were received, of which 37 were found to be incomplete, and 4 proposals were found to have been submitted more than once (i.e., Duplicates). These incomplete & duplicate proposals were excluded. Resulting in 221 proposals for evaluation.

UGC has constituted a Sub-Committee for initial screening and subsequent evaluation of 221 Proposals.

The proposals were evaluated in the following two stages.

Stage 1: Initial Screening by UGC Sub-Committee on the following parameters:

- The Sub-Committee resolved to consider only proposals from HEIs placed in the Top-100 of NIRF-2024 (overall/discipline-wise). Accordingly, 99 proposals were excluded.
- 122 proposals were evaluated individually based on the introductory video, the faculty's articulation in presenting the theme, the disciplinary background of the faculty, the course structure, and the unit-wise content. Out of these, 52 proposals were shortlisted, and the faculty members of these proposals were invited for a face-to-face interaction before the UGC Expert Committee on Environment Education.

Stage 2: Detailed Evaluation: face-to-face interactions of 52 Faculty Members before the UGC Expert Committee on Environment Education on 19th – 20th November 2025.

The Committee adopted the following five evaluation parameters, with 10 marks allotted to each, making a total of 50 marks:

- Core competency and depth of subject knowledge of the faculty and adequate coverage of the recommended course content – 10 Marks**
- Course evaluation methodology – 10 Marks**
- Communication skills and ability to effectively deliver content – 10 Marks**
- Innovative content development approach of the faculty – 10 Marks**
- Quality and clarity of the course's introductory video – 10 Marks**

Based on face-to-face interactions of Faculty Members before the UGC Expert Committee on Environment Education, the following faculty members were finalised as Course Coordinators (CCs) for the development of respective SWAYAM courses, one per thematic area of Environmental Studies.

1. Indian Knowledge Systems (IKS) and Environment

Prof. Raj Kumar Mittal, Vice Chancellor, Babasheb Bhimrao Ambedkar University, Lucknow.

2. Environmental Monitoring and Instrumentation (HEI to engage an industry partner for this course)

Prof. Radhey Shyam Sharma, Professor, Department of Environmental Studies, University of Delhi.

3. Climate Change, Mitigation, and Adaptation Strategies (technological, nature-based, and market-based interventions)

Dr. Aparna Sawhney, Professor, Centre for International Trade and Development, School of International Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi.

4. Environmental, Social, and Corporate Governance

Prof. Sairam Bhat, Professor of Law and Co-Director, Centre for Environmental Law, Education, Research and Advocacy (CEERA), National Law School of India University, Bengaluru.

5. Environmental Communication and Journalism

Dr. Krishna Sankar Kusuma, Professor, A.J.K. Mass Communication Research Centre, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi.


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