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No. IITH/40/A/2020/RTI/MS Dated: 12.07.2021

To,

Sub: Disposal of appeal filed under RTI Act, 2005.

Ref: 1. Your RTI application with Reg. No.IITHY/R/E/21/00170, dated. 31.05.2021.

2. Your appeal No. IITHY/A/E/21/00028, Dt.24.06.2021

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I have gone through your appeal with registration No. IITHY/A/E/21/00028 dt.24.06.2021 and the reply furnished by the CPIO with reference to your RTI application cited above. Having examined the matter in detail, I sum up my observations as follows.

4	Information Sought	Information given and details of documents, if any, furnished.
	I did my two years M.Sc degree in Zoology through Distance Education from Vinayaka Missions Research Foundation with 69% marks and have been qualified in UGC NET JRF in Environmental Sciences in 2020. Kindly share these following information: -	No information sought.
	1. Is Distance M.Sc degree is eligible to apply in PhD Biotechnology or Bio-Medical Engineering program of IIT Hyderabad?	Yes, Distance M.Sc. degree is eligible to apply for PhD program in Bio-Medical Engineering at IIT Hyderabad.
	2. Is UGC JRF Environmental Sciences qualification eligible to apply in PhD Biotechnology or Bio-Medical Engineering program? Please response in a specific manner to above all these questions and kindly do not refer to IIT Hyderabad website or departmental website where all these information are not available.	Yes, UGC JRF Environmental Sciences qualification is eligible to apply for PhD program in Bio-Medical Engineering.

Grounds of the appeal:

Appeal Text:

In the RTI response information has not been provided of the Biotechnology department. Kindly provide the same information (asked questions) when it is about PhD Biotechnology admission.

Disposal of Appeal:

1.As your RTI request says "Biotechnology or Bio- Medical Engineering" we have provided the information about the Bio-Medical in the RTI reply. Please find the information of Biotechnology department below:

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Is Distance M.Sc degree is eligible to apply in PhD Biotechnology or Bio-Medical Engineering program of IIT Hyderabad?	MSc degrees awarded through open and distance-learning mode of education, if they are awarded by University Grants Commission (UGC)-recognised universities, institutions deemed to be universities under Section 3 of the UGC Act and institutions of national importance declared under an Act of Parliament are eligible to apply for PhD programme in Biotechnology.
2. Is UGC JRF Environmental Sciences qualification eligible to apply in PhD Biotechnology or Bio-Medical Engineering program? Please response in a specific manner to above all these questions and kindly do not refer to IIT Hyderabad website or departmental website where all these information are not available.	UGC JRF Environmental Sciences qualification is eligible to apply for PhD programme in Biotechnology.

2. Accordingly, your appeal cited above stands disposed of.

3. Appeal against the decision of the Appellate Authority lies with the Central Information Commission, Room No.326, 'C' Wing, II Floor, August Kranti Bhawan, Bhikaji Cama Place, NEW DELHI 110 066.

Yours faithfully,

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