

# SHRILAL BAHADUR SHASTRI NATIONAL SANSKRIT UNIVERSITY (CENTRAL UNIVERSITY) B-4 QUTAB INSTITUTIONAL AREA, NEW DELHI-110016

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#### NOTIFICATION

In accordance with the provisions prescribed under Clause-29 (1) & (2) and 30 of the Central Sanskrit Universities Act, 2020 and Clause-39 of the Statutes of the University, the following revised Ordinances and Regulations of Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri National Sanskrit University, New Delhi duly approved by the Executive Council are hereby notified for implementation and information of all concerned:-

| ORDINANCE<br>NO. | TITLE OF ORDINANCE  |
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| 15               | Ordinance on University Research Board  |
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| 39               | Ordinance on governing integrated shastri/bachelor's degree-archarya/master's degree programmes offered in the university |
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Dated: 03.12.2025

| 41.            | Purchase Committee   |
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| 42.            | Procedure for considering proposals for Affiliation of Colleges, Institutions and Gurukula etc.  |
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| REGULATION NO. | TITLE OF REGULATIONS   |
| 04             | Regulations on governing integrated shastri/bachelor's degree-acharya/master's degree programmes offered by the university.                |
| 05             | Regulations on Establishment and operation of academic bank of credits (ABC) at under graduation level and Post- Graduation level courses. |

The above-mentioned Ordinances and Regulations shall apply to all concerned with effect from the date of issue of this notification. Anomaly, if any, in the implementation of the aforementioned Ordinances and Regulations, shall be rectified as per rule

This issues with the approval of the Vice-Chancellor.

(PROF. PAWAN KUMAR SHARMA)

Registrar

#### Copy for information and necessary action to:-

- Chief Vigilance Officer
- 2. Director-IQAC
- 3. All Sectional Heads/Unit-In-charges of SLBSNSU, New Delhi
- 4. Library (In-charge)/Assistant Librarian
- 5. All Deputy Registrars
- 6. Executive Engineer (Civil)
- System Administrator (Computer Centre) is required to place this Notification along with the above-mentioned Ordinances and Regulations on the website of this University for information of all concerned.
- 8. All Assistant Registrars
- 9. OSD to VC
- 10. PS to VC/ Registrar/Finance Officer
- 11. Notice Boards
- 12. Concerned file

(PROF. PAWAN KUMAR SHARMA)~

Registrar

# SHRI LAL BAHADUR SHASTRI NATIONAL SANSKRIT UNIVERSITY REGULATIONS No. 5

## ESTABLISHMENT AND OPERATION OF ACADEMIC BANK OF CREDITS (ABC) AT UNDER GRADUATION LEVEL AND POST GRADUATION LEVEL COURSES

As per the University Grants Commissions Gazette Notification dated 28<sup>th</sup> July,2021, the Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri National Sanskrit University, New Delhi with the approval of Statutory authority, hereby makes the following regulations namely:-

#### 1. Short title, Application and Commencement.-

- (1) These Regulations may be called the Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri National Sanskrit University, New Delhi (Establishment and Operation of Academic Bank of Credits in Higher Education) Regulations, 2021
- (2) These Regulations shall apply to all UG and PG Courses/Programmes offered by SLBSNS University, New Delhi.
- (3) They shall come into force from the date of approval from statutory body of SLBSNS University, New Delhi.

#### 2. Definitions.- In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,-

- a. "Act" means the Central Sanskrit Universities Act.-2020 (No.05 of 2020)
- b. "Academic Bank Account" means an individual account with the Academic Bank of Credits opened and operated by a student, to which all academic credits earned by the student from course(s) of study are deposited, recognized, maintained, accumulated, transferred, validated or redeemed for the purposes of the award of degree/diploma/certificates etc. by this University.
- c. "Academic Bank of Credits" means an academic service mechanism as a digital or virtual or online entity established by the university Grants Commission (UGC) with the approval of the Central Government, to facilitate students to become its academic account holders, thereby paving the way for seamless student mobility between or within degree-granting Higher Educational Institutions through a formal system of credit recognition, credit accumulation, credit transfers and credit redemption to promote distributed and flexible teaching-learning;
- d. "Academic Flexibility" means the provision for innovative and interchangeable curricular structures to enable creative combinations of Courses or Programmes in Disciplines of study leading to Degree or Diploma or Post Graduate Diploma or Certificate of Study offering multiple entry and multiple exit facilities, while removing rigid curricular boundaries and creating new possibilities of life-long learning
- e. "Course" means one of the specified units which go to comprise a specified course/programme of study;
- f. "Credit" means the standard methodology of calculating one hour of theory or one hour of tutorial or two hours of laboratory work, per week for a duration of a semester (13-15 week) resulting in the award of one credit; which is awarded by a higher educational institution on which these regulations apply; and Credits for internship shall be one credit per week of internship, subject to a maximum of six credits;

- g. "Credit-accumulation" means the facility created by Academic Bank of Credits In the Academic Bank Account opened by students in order to transfer and consolidate the credits earned by them by undergoing Courses;
- h. "Credits-recognition" means the credits earned though a registered Higher Educational Institution and transferred directly to the Academic Bank of Credits by such Higher Educational Institution.
- i. "Credit-redemption" means the process of commuting the accrued credits in the Academic Bank Account of the students maintained in ABC for the purpose of fulfilling the credits requirements for the award of Degrees or Diplomas or Certificates or Course work for Ph.D course/programme etc., by registered degree awarding Higher Educational Institutions;
- j. "Credit-transfer" means the mechanism by which the Registered Higher Educational Institutions are able to receive or provide prescribed credits to individual Academic Bank Accounts in adherence to the University Grants Commission credit norms for the 'course/s' undertaken by students enrolled in any Registered Higher Education Institution within India.
- k. "Professional Standards Setting Body"means a regulatory or principal body created, established or constituted under an Act of Parliament for determining and maintaining standards in the relevant areas of higher education;
- 1. "Programme" or "Programme of study" means a higher education programme pursued for a degree specified by the Commission under sub-section (3) of section 22 of the UGC Act;
- m. "Registered Higher Education Institution" means an eligible Higher Educational Institution which is registered by the Academic Bank of Credits, under these regulations;
- n. "Statutory authority" means statutory bodies of higher educational institutions, such as the Governing council or Executive Council, competent to take decision on behalf of the institution.
- o. "Student" means a person admitted to and pursuing, a specified credit-based course/programme of study in a higher education institution.

#### 3. Academic Bank of Credits.-

- 1. Academic Bank of Credits shall be a national-level facility to promote flexibility of Curriculum framework and interdisciplinary or multidisciplinary academic mobility of students across Higher Education Institutions in the country with appropriate credit transfer mechanism created through these regulations and shall facilitate students to choose their own learning path to attain a degree/degree (Hon.) or diploma or post-graduate diploma or academic qualification, working on the principle of multiple entry-multiple exit as well as any-time, any-where, and any-level learning.
- 2. Academic Bank of Credits shall enable the integration of multiple disciplines of higher learning, leading to the desired learning outcomes including enhanced creativity, innovation, higher order thinking and critical analysis.
- 3. Academic Bank of Credits shall provide significant autonomy to students by providing extensive choice of courses for a programme of study, flexibility in curriculum, novel and engaging course options across a number of higher education disciplines or institution.

#### 4. Objectives of Academic Bank of Credits-

- 1. To promote student centricity with learner-friendly approaches in higher education across the country and promote a more inter-disciplinary approach in higher education.
- 2. To enable students to select the best courses or combination of courses to suit their aptitude and quest for knowledge.
- 3. To permit students to choose a pace for their studies along with the associated logistics and costs.
- 4. To allow students to tailor their degrees or make specific modifications or specializations rather than undergoing the rigid, regularly prescribed degree or courses of a university.
- 5. To enable multiple entry-multiple exit (MEME) for students to compete their degrees as per their time preferences, providing mobility across various disciplines and HEIs for Degree or Diploma or Post Graduate Diploma or Certificate programme or Course work for the Vidyavaridhi (Ph.D.) Programme.
- 6. To support, procedurally, the teaching-learning activities to happen in a distributed and blended manner through integration across the universities with increased mobility.
- 7. To facilitate lifelong learning amongst all, i.e., formal and informal students from both full-time and part-time modes and or Regular, distance and online mode.
- 8. To satisfy the students' quest for knowledge, freedom to choose and change their academic direction, connect different domains of knowledge and help them acquire the right foundation and building blocks to pursue their life goals.

#### 5. Organizational Structure of Academic Bank of Credits.-

- 1. Academic Bank of Credits shall be a digital or Virtual or online store-house entity of academic credit data base of this University with students as its stakeholders.
- 2. Academic Bank of Credits shall be operated, on the lines of the National Academic Depository/Digilocker through the dynamic website established by the Govt. of India providing all details of Academic Bank of Credits and its operational mechanism for the use of all students of this University.
- 3. Academic Bank of Credits shall be a bank for academic purposes, on the pattern of commercial banks for financial purposes, with students as academic account holders to whom, the Academic Bank of Credits shall provide a variety of services including credit verification credit accumulation, credit transfer or redemption and authentication of academic awards.
- 4. Authentication of credits or academic awards by Academic Bank of Credits shall not, in any way, be construed as an encroachment on the statutory powers of the University registered with Academic Bank of Credits to award degrees and other academic qualifications.

- 5. ABC shall act as the body empowered by the Central Government or the University Grants Commission, as the case may be, to provide authenticated records of credits earned by students from registered Higher Education Institutions.
- 6. The requirement of credits as well as essential components of study for award of any Under Graduate or Post Graduate or diploma or certificate, or the Course work requirements for the Ph.D. programmes shall be as prescribed by Registered Universities.
- 7. Academic Bank of Credits shall provide to every student the facility to open unique or individual Academic Bank Account in digital form; and the account holder shall be provided with a unique ID and access to the Standard Operating Procedure (SOP).

#### 6. Functions of Academic Bank Credits.-

- 1. Academic Bank of Credits shall deposit Credits awarded Credits awarded by Registered Higher Education Institutions, for Courses pursued therein, in the Academic Bank Account of the student and the validity of such validity shall be as per norms and guidelines issued by the University Grants Commission from time to time:
  - Provided that ABC shall not accept any document pertaining to course credits directly from students and shall entertain such documents as valid only when the same are transmitted by the respective, Registered Higher Education Institution awarding the credits.
- 2. ABC shall register Higher Education Institutions under these regulations, ensure the opening, closure and validation of Academic Bank Accounts and shall also ensure credit verification, credit accumulation, and credit transfer or redemption for students; apart from promoting its role among stakeholder.
- 3. Courses undergone by the students through the online modes through National Schemes like SWAYAM, NOTEL, V-Lab etc. or of any specified registered HEl, shall also be considered for credit transfer and credit accumulation.
- 4. The functions of ABC are not limited to distance or a non-contact mode; and shall extend to amalgamation of various existing and futuristic teaching-learning models and it may also consider credits obtained by students in assessment for theory or practical, if the same are offered as separate credit courses.
- 5. The norms in respect to the curriculum content, curriculum transaction, educational technologies for the courses offered, their timing, continuous evaluation methods, attendance and novel methods of assessment shall be as decided by the SLBSNS University, New Delhi, and shall be consistent with the overarching policy and philosophy of holistic, multidisciplinary education under National Education Policy-2020.
- 6. In the interest of students, credits earned and deposited with ABC shall be valid for the purpose of redemption to a degree or diploma or post Graduate diploma or certificate, for varying duration as specified by the SLBSNS University, New Delhi Subject to a maximum duration of seven years.
- 7. Academic Bank of Credits shall encompass all higher education programmes coming under the purview of the University Grants Commission, the All-India Council of Technical Education, and the National Council of Teacher Education; credits in professional programmes of study in respect of other disciplines may be included with the approval of the appropriate professional standard setting body and the Central Government.

- 8. Academic Bank of Credits shall also facilitate the credit recognition and credit redemption process for students who may opt, according to their individual choice, for all courses, not falling in any particular subject domain, but fulfilling the total credits requirement for the Under Graduate degree to be awarded by SLBSNS University, New Delhi.
- 9. In addition to the choice based courses to be undertaken by the student as a part of the specific higher education programme in University / Registered Higher Education Institution, students shall also have freedom to take additional courses of their aptitude, beyond the curriculum prescribed for such degree programme, and accrue credits in their respective Academic Bank Account:

Provided that Registered Higher Education Institutions may award diploma or certificate against credits accrued in respect of courses undertaken by students beyond the prescribed curriculum.

- 10. Credits obtained by students by undergoing Skill-courses from University / Registered Higher Education Institutions offering vocational Degree or diploma or Post Graduate Diploma or Certificate programmes are also eligible for accrual and redemption of credits through the Academic Bank of Credits.
- 11. Credits obtained by undertaking courses in University / Registered Higher Education Institutions during or after the academic year 2021-22 alone are eligible for Credit transfer, Credit Accrual and credit redemption through the Academic Bank of Credits.
- 12. For carrying out the purposes of the Academic Bank of Credits, the SLBSNS University may seek financial and administrative assistance to the Academic Bank of Credits, as it may deem fit from UGC.

### 7. Eligibility Criteria for approval of University / HEIs to register with Academic Bank of Credits.

- 1. Universities and Autonomous Colleges satisfying SLBSNS University, New Delhi-ABC regulation 1.2, which are accredited by either National Assessment and Accreditation Council with minimum 'A' Grade or by National Board of Accreditation for at least three programmes(s) with a minimum score of 675 individually (however, if the number of programme(s) being run by the Institution is less than three, then each of the programmes should secure 675 or more marks); or top 100 National Institutional Ranking Framework (NIRF) or similar assessment and Accreditation body(ies) to be established by Govt. of India from time to time or those Indian Higher Education Institutions appearing in top 1000 world ranking of Quacquarelli Symonds (QS)/ Times Higher Education (THE); Institutions of Eminence or Institutions of National Importance as declared by Government of India are eligible to register with Academic Bank of Credits.
- 2. Accreditation or ranking status must be valid at the time of registration with Academic Bank of Credits.
- 3. HEIs shall obtain approval from their respective statutory authorities such as the Governing or Executive Council or Syndicate or Board of Management or Academic Council etc., to apply for registration with Academic Bank Credits.

4. Registered Higher Education Institutions shall be required to admit students to individual courses, in addition to their admission to full degree programmes:

Provided that in order to avoid overcrowding in a course(s) of any Higher Education Institution, such Higher Education Institution shall be permitted to have additional (supernumerary) seats in such course(s), subject to prior approval by the appropriate professional standards setting body:

Provided further that in respect of courses, not coming under the purview of any professional standers setting body the Registered Higher Education Institution may, subject to availability of required infrastructure, create supernumerary seats with the approval of its statutory authorities:

Provided also that, Registered Higher Education Institution may also offer a set of Courses, exclusively for the purpose of the Academic Bank of Credits Scheme.

- 5. SLBSNS University may have the appropriate educational infrastructure in terms of audio-visual facilities, e-resources, Virtual classrooms and studios etc. and specifically high bandwidth internet connectivity to support ODL or On-line courses or programmes and other infrastructural facilities for face to face theory or practical/or training courses as specified, from time to time, under the relevant University Grants Commission Regulations and/or Statues or Ordinances of SLBSNS University.
- 6. SLBSNS University shall have a webpage on its website containing details of the facility of Academic Bank of Credits, list of all Registered Higher Education Institutions, guidelines or standard operating procedures for the students to utilize the facility effectively, along with a link to the website of Academic Bank of Credits.

#### 8. Academic Bank of Credits Implementation methodology.-

- 1. Academic Bank of Credits is essentially a credit-based, and highly flexible, student-centric facility.
- 2. SLBSNS University shall, with the approval of their statutory authorities, amend the extant Ordinances relating to, inter alia, Course registration, Course requirements, acceptance for inter-disciplinary and multi-disciplinary courses, Credits to be offered to such courses, Credit transfers and Credits acceptance from other approved Higher Education Institutions, nature of grades to be awarded etc.
- 3. SLBSNS University shall encourage and enable students to customize or design their own degrees utilizing Courses selected by the student from among courses offered by one or more of the Registered Higher Education Institutions:

Provided that, the student shall be required to earn at least fifty percent of the credits from the Higher Education Institution awarding the degree or diploma or certificate:

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Provided further that, the students shall be required to earn the required number of credits in the core subject area necessary for the award of the degree or Diploma or Certificate, as specified by the degree awarding Higher Education Institution, in which the student is enrolled.

4. Students availing flexibility under the facility of ABC provided in Sub-regulation (3) are entitled to subscribe only to Courses of their choice and aptitude, so as to enable them to accumulate credits and not to the entire Programmes of study leading to the award of a degree by the Registered Higher Education Institution.

- 5. The ABC shall maintain a dynamic online directory of Higher Education Institution which satisfy the eligibility criteria.
- a. Every Registered Higher Education Institution shall provide student counseling and guidance to all students desirous of opening an Academic Bank Account with Academic Bank of Credits, in regard to the details of utilization of the services of Academic Bank of Credits in terms of Credit definition, Credit accumulation, Credit transfer, Credit redemption as well as in respect of the opening, closure and validation of Academic Bank Accounts of Students where such requests are recommended through the parent University or Autonomous colleges which are already registered with Academic Bank of Credits.
- b. Credits earned by students shall be deposited in the respective Academic Bank Account with ABC and shall be valid for not exceeding seven years as specified by the credit awarding institutions and subject to its acceptance by the Registered Higher Education Institution awarding academic qualification, for the purpose of commutation of credits for the award of any Degree of Diploma or Certificate:

Provided that once any credit is redeemed for the awarded of the aforementioned academic qualification, such credit shall be debited irrevocably from the respective student's Academic Bank Account.

- c. Where a student fulfills the norms of sufficiency of total number of credits and of the nature of credits, approved by a Registered Higher Education Institution for the award of the specified Degree or Diploma or Post Graduate Diploma or Certificate, the student shall be eligible for such award by that Higher Education Institution.
- d. Once used, or redeemed, Credits earned by a student cannot be re-used for the award of any other formal academic qualification.
- e. With the approval of its statutory authorities, a Registered Higher Education Institution shall be encouraged by Academic bank of Credits to apportion the structure of courses offered by it as core courses or core electives or open electives or skill enhancement electives or ability enhancement electives etc. with appropriate credit requirements, in order to promote multi-disciplinary or interdisciplinary higher education.
- f. In awarding academic qualifications etc., SLBSNS University shall follow the norms and guidelines, in regard to the number of credits and duration of time, stipulated from time to time by the UGC or the professional standards setting body, as the case may be:

Provided that in respect of time duration, a student pursuing academic qualifications under the Academic Bank of Credits facility may, after earning the stipulated credits, avail a relaxation of a maximum of one semester, provided the duration of the course or programme is of two-year or more (Four semesters or more).

- g. SLBSNS University may fix its Course fee based on the number of credits of a course for which the student is enrolled.
- h. The SLBSNS University shall pay a fee for registration as an eligible institution under these regulations, which shall be determined with prior approval of the Central Government or the UGC, as the case may be.

#### 9. Monitoring, support and Quality assurance by Universities and ABC.-

- 1. It shall be the responsibility of Registered Higher Education Institutions, to monitor the development and operationalization of the Academic Bank of Credits programme at the university level and at the level of their affiliated autonomous colleges.
- 2. SLBSNS University shall offer teacher or staff training, mentoring, academic and administrative audit and other measures for improving the quality of performance of the Academic Bank of Credits facility and promotion of holistic/multidisciplinary education with the support of Academic Bank of Credits, which may be in the form of Faculty Development Programmes or Quality Improvement Programmes or Professional Development Programmes or Technology Inculcation Programmes.
- 3. The Quality assurance of the implementation of Academic Bank of Credits at the level of the registered university or autonomous college shall be developed by the University or autonomous college concerned either through the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) or any other appropriate structured mechanism as may be decided by the SLBSNS University.
- 4. SLBSNS University shall upload, annually, on its website, a report of its activities visavis the Academic Bank of Credits, as well as of measures taken by it for Quality assurance, Quality sustenance and Quality enhancement.
- 5. There shall be an Academic Bank of Credits-Grievance Redressal Mechanism at the level of Central Government/University Grants Commission/Academic Bank of Credits, and at SLBSNS University to address the grievance/appeals of students.

#### 10. Consequences of Violation.-

Where a Registered Higher Education Institution fails to fulfill the conditions or requirements prescribed under these regulations, the UGC may, after providing a reasonable opportunity of being heard, direct the institution to rectify the deficiency within such period of time as may be stipulated by the UGC and on failure on the part of the Higher Education Institution to do so, terminate the registration of such institution from Academic Bank of Credits and in addition, cease to provide grants under the Act, where such grants are admissible to the institution.

#### 11. Interpretation-

Any question as to the interpretation of these Regulations shall be decided by the UGC, and its decision shall be final and binding in the matter.