

Annual Report (2020-2021)

Department of Open & Distance Learning

Dr. R. P. S. Bedi took over as **Director Open & Distance Learning department of the University in March' 2021**. Dr. Ravneet Preet Singh Bedi is an eminent educational administrator, researcher, technology academician and strategist with twenty-eight (28) years of vast experience. He completed his Ph.D. in Computer Science & Engineering from the Faculty of Engineering, Punjabi University, Patiala and also to his credit another Ph.D. in Computer Science & Engineering from Singhania University, Rajasthan. He had also been the Nominated Advisor to SECURITY KNOWLEDGE & SKILL DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL, constituted under the aegis of National Skill Development Council (Formed by Ministry of Finance, Govt. Of India). Under his able guidance as Dean (DEP), the strength of students in distance education reached 1.5 lac. He as Controller (Examination) also introduced Online paper delivery to stop the menace of paper leakage. As a result, University has been awarded the first prize in “eINDIA 2010” Awards organized in association with Department of Information Technology (DIT) under the Ministry of Communications & Information Technology, Government of India.



Dr. Ravneet Preet Singh Bedi
Director, Open & Distance Learning, IKGPTU

Under the able guidance of Vice Chancellor and Director (ODL), the department of Open & Distance Learning got approval to offer 5 programs from University Grants

Commission. Following is the list of programs that were offered in the academic year 2020-2021:

1. BCA
2. BCA (LE)
3. DCA
4. BBA
5. B. Com.
6. M Com.
7. BA-JMC

All academic activities were conducted as per the notified academic calendar that is available at Open & Distance Learning Portal of IKGPTU. **For the support of ODL students and students in general, ODL department also made available its Self-Learning Material on its web portal.**

One of the major decisions taken by the Open & Distance Learning Department of I K Gujral Punjab Technical University was to sign **Memorandum of Understanding** with select affiliated colleges of the university to establish Learner Support Centers and Study Centers. Following is the list of current Learner Support Centers and Study Centers:

Sr. No.	Institute Name
1	Gulzar School of Management, Khanna, Ludhiana
2	Gurdasi Devi Institute of Management & Technology, Budhalda, Mansa
3	Indo Global College of Management & Technology, Abhipur, Mohali
4	KMS College of IT & Management, Dasuya, Hoshiarpur
5	Modern Group of Colleges, Mukerian, Hoshiarpur
6	Punjab Institute of Management & Technology, Khanna, Ludhiana
7	Rayat Bahra Institute of Management, Bohan, Hoshiarpur
8	SGTB Institute of Management & IT, Sanaura, Jalandhar
9	S. Sukhjinder Singh Institute of Science & Technology, Gurdaspur
10	Guru Gobind Singh College of Management & IT, Garshankar, Hoshiarpur
11	Amritsar College of Engineering & Technology, Amritsar
12	Synetic Business School, Ramgarh, Ludhiana

13	CT Institute of Management & Information Technology, Jalandhar
14	Trinity Institute of Management & Technology, Jalandhar
15	Ludhiana College of Engineering & Technology, Katani Kalan, Ludhiana
16	Gujranwala Guru Nanak Institute of Management and Technology,Ludhiana
17	Tawi College ,Pathankot
18	A & M Institute of Management and Technology, Pathankot
19	Khalsa College of Management & Technology, Amritsar
20	Punjab College of Engineering & Technology,Mohali
21	St. Soldier Group of Institutions,Jalandhar
22	Gian Jyoti Institute of Management & Technology, Mohali
23	K.C. College of Engineering & Information Technology,Nawanshahar
24	Innocent Hearts Group of Institutions,Jalandhar
25	Gursewa Institute of Science and Technology,Garshankar,Hoshairpur
26	Swami Sarvanand Institute of Management & Technology,Dinanagar,Gurdaspur
27	Swami Satyanand College of Management & Technology,Amritsar
28	Longowal Academic College,Derabassi,Mohali
29	Malout Institute of Management & Information Technology,Malout,Muktsar

All academic and administrative support to students of Open & Distance Learning IKGPTU will be from hereon to be provided by these centers. These study centers will be responsible for holding the Personal Contact Programs, Checking the assignments and conducting the end semester examinations for both the theory and practical. The list is also available on the web portal of IKGPTU. These study centers have been established as per the norms of UGC (DEB) and will be responsible for providing end to end support to ODL students.

Even during this pandemic period, the department of ODL continued to provide all services to its students using its well-established online support from the time of admission to conduct of Personal Contact Program and conduct of examinations. Result of all students was declared on time and even PCP classes were held in the online mode.