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Sub: Recognition of B.Sc. (Hons.) Community Science by State and central Recruitment agencies/commissions and at different Higher Institutes of Education

Sir,

This is to bring to your kind notice from the academic session 2017-18, Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology, Udaipur (Rajasthan) has implemented the recommendations of Indian Council of Agricultural Research (ICAR), New Delhi and started the undergraduate degree programme of B.Sc. (Hons) Community Science in place of B.Sc. (Hons) Home Science degree programme. The change in degree nomenclature has been implemented in all Agricultural Universities of the country to broaden the scope of Home Science to Community level and to bridge the gap between family and community.

The B.Sc. (Hons) Community Science degree is a four year programme with integrated curriculum which has widened its scope by having seven disciplines (inclusive of five disciplines of Home Science) adding more value to this programme for the benefit of student, society and community as a whole. Moreover, it has unique Student READY (Kurai Entrepreneurship Awareness Development Yojana) Programme in final year, which has five components of Experiential learning, Hands-on training, Project work, RAWE and Internship. The student has to take three components out of these in final year to complete the undergraduate degree requirement. The first batch of this newly shaped B.Sc. (Hons) Community Science degree programme from our University will complete its graduation requirement in June 2021.

In view of that, we would like to draw your kind attention to the following three major issues listed below to help these pass out graduates in getting admission for higher studies and also for securing good placements in Government & its autonomous bodies, Public and Private sectors:

1. Recognition of the degree of B.Sc. (Hons) Community Science at par with B.Sc. (Hons) Home Science.
2. Consideration of B.Sc. (Hons) Community Science students for admission to higher degree programmes under eligibility criteria in the same way as was done for B.Sc. (Hons) Home Science.
3. Recognition and approval of B.Sc. (Hons) Community Science at par with B.Sc. (Hons) Home Science for recruitments.

It is essential to recognize the new nomenclature by all your institutions/organization for perpetuating employability, for pursuing post-graduate studies in institutions of repute across country and abroad and setting up of own enterprise to avail immense opportunities for higher studies, job avenues and setting their own start-ups.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

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