## **ADVICE TO STUDENTS AND PARENTS**

## Dear Students/Parents,

In an effort to serve the students aspiring for higher education, we have made an attempt to help students make informed choices. All the Higher Secondary Schools have been oriented by the staff of Department of Adult and Higher Education, Ministry of Education during the autumn of 2014. Information on higher education opportunities, selecting recognised quality institutions of higher learning, and after-admission requirements have been shared. This should facilitate the students getting enrolled to institutions of quality and prestige resulting to ease of employment.

There have been reported cases of students getting admitted to or graduating from universities which are not recognised. Students usually get themselves enrolled through their parents, seniors, education consultancy and placement firms or government agencies. All involved are not always ignorant about the types of higher learning institutions across the globe.

The recognition of qualifications has been taken over by the Bhutan Accreditation Council (BAC) from the Royal Civil Service Commission since its establishment on 14 June 2011. The Council is the national autonomous body for quality assurance, accreditation, and recognition of qualifications in tertiary education. The BAC provides the qualifications recognition services, on requests, through its Secretariat - Quality Assurance and Accreditation Division (QAAD), Department of Adult and Higher Education, Ministry of Education. The services are provided based on the guidelines prepared in line with the international practices and adopted by the Council.

The minimum basic requirement is to ensure that the programmes offered are accredited by professional bodies and the college/institute is affiliated to a recognised university or is authorized to confer the degree by their country. The list of Indian Professional Councils is available at <a href="www.ugc.ac.in/page/professional-councils.aspx">www.ugc.ac.in/page/professional-councils.aspx</a>. There are also national accreditation bodies in many countries. The university must be recognised by the University Grants Commission (UGC) or equivalent body. Alternately, they can be a member of university association in the country/region/world. For example, universities in India may be a member of Association of Indian Universities (AIU), or Association of Commonwealth Universities (ACU) or International Association of Universities (IAU). It is advisable to check their status in their official links. The information given in the University/institute website may not always be reliable.

The websites for the above agencies are given as follows:

UGC: <u>www.ugc.ac.in</u>
 AIU: <u>www.aiuweb.org</u>
 ACU: <u>www.acu.ac.uk</u>

## 4. IAU: www.iau-aiu.net

The UGC lists the types of universities with their status. It is advisable to avoid universities whose reports are awaited or category C deemed universities.

In case, the institution (university/college/institute) is not recognised, the individual or agency responsible for placing the student/s shall be responsible for any loss incurred. Therefore, all concerned are urged to find the status of the institution before deciding to get enrolled. This does not only save time and resources but also facilitate to get employable quality tertiary education.

After the admission, the students must register as tertiary student and Bhutanese Students Association (BSA) member by logging to <a href="www.citizenservices.gov.bt">www.citizenservices.gov.bt</a>. This shall facilitate the student services amongst other benefits.

Further, the students/parents are advised to get help of the licensed Education Consultancy and Placement Firm registered with the Department of Adult & Higher Education. Their addresses and other Contact details are given below:

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| 7.         | Career Infopedia                      | 3 <sup>rd</sup> Floor, Kelwang<br>Complex, Thimphu                                  | 02-326291(T/F), 17116699,<br>careerinfo1199@yahoo.com                   |
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