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Subject :- Inviting Online proposals for development of MOOCs at UG/PG level for the SWAYAM Platform, on the six pillars of India's Arctic Policy (IAP).

Respected Madam/Sir,

The Government of India released India's Arctic Policy titled 'India and the Arctic: building a partnership for Sustainable Development' on 17th March, 2022. The Policy may be seen at <https://www.moes.gov.in/sites/default/files/2022-03/compressed-SINGLE-PAGE-ENGLISH.pdf>

India's Arctic Policy would play an essential role in preparing the country for a future where humankind's biggest challenges, like climate change, can be addressed through collective will and effort.

Implementing India's Arctic Policy will involve multiple stakeholders, including academia, the research community, business, and industry. There is a need to create awareness among Universities, Colleges about availability of courses, job and research opportunities in the area of Arctic/Polar Studies.

Also, earlier on the basis of a meeting held at National Security Council Secretariat, wherein it was decided to generate Course content on Arctic / Polar Studies for inclusion of courses on SWAYAM Platform (www.swayam.gov.in).

In this regard, UGC requests all the Vice Chancellors of Universities, Directors of IITs, Principals of all Colleges to submit proposals for development of MOOCs at UG/PG level for the SWAYAM Platform, on the following six pillars of India's Arctic Policy (IAP):

- I. Science and Research
- II. Climate and Environmental Protection
- III. Economic and Human Development
- IV. Transportation and Connectivity
- V. Governance and international cooperation, and
- VI. National Capacity Building

The proposal may only be submitted online at the link <https://swayam.inflibnet.ac.in/> before 15.05.2022.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely

(Rajnish Jain)

Encl: As above.

To,

1. The Vice Chancellors of all Universities
2. The Principals of all Colleges
3. The Directors of all IITs