"F.No.5-38/2005-Desk(U)(A)

Dated 15th February, 2006

Government of India Ministry of Human Resource Development Department of Secondary & Higher Education Shastri Bhavan, New Delhi

To Shri U.K.Tiwari
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Subject: Clarification regarding educational qualification

Sir,

I am directed to refer to your letter No.3/8/2004-P&P-1(Pt.) dated 19.12.2005 on the subject mentioned above seeking clarification regarding educational qualification of Masters of Art Degree in English obtained by some Shri Ajay Mehera from the Annamalia University through distance mode. The matter has been examined in this Department in consultation with Distance Educational Council (DEC).

2. Government of India Gazette Notification No.44 dated 1.3.1995 states that all the qualifications awarded through distance education mode by the Universities established by an Act of Parliament or State Legislature, Institutions deemed to be Universities under Section 3 of the UGC Act 1956 and Institutions of National Importance declared under an Act of Parliament stand automatically recognized for the purpose of employment to posts and services under Central Govt. provided it has been approved by Distance Education Council, Indira Gandhi National Open University. Distance Education Council has, however, informed that the programmes offered by Annamalia Unviersity through distance education mode are yet to be recognized by them.

Yours faithfully, Sd/-(BALJIT SINGH) UNDER SECRETARY TO THE GOVT. OF INDIA"