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M.Phil and Ph.D Admission Notice for the Academic Year 2015-16

The University invites applications for admission into M.Phil and Ph.D Programmes in Development Studies for the academic year 2015-16. The Programmes are organised in collaboration with **Centre for Economic and Social Studies (CESS)**, Hyderabad. The Programmes are offered in the following subjects:

Commerce 2. Development Statistics 3. Economics 4. Geography Political Science and Public Administration 6. Sociology

Eligibility: Post-Graduate Degree with 55 percent marks (50 percent marks for SC/ST candidates) in social sciences. Admission is based on an Entrance Test in one of the subjects listed above and an Interview.

Candidates qualified in UGC test or any other National-level test for JRF, M.Phil Degree holders from any recognised university and FIP (UGC) candidates are exempted from the Entrance Test for Ph.D admission.

Application forms: Application forms can be obtained from the office of the CESS on payment of Rs. 100/- (Rupees one hundred only) either in Cash or Demand Draft drawn in favour of "Director, CESS" in any nationalised bank from 10.00 AM to 5.00 PM during working days (Monday to Saturday). Application forms and the guidelines can also be downloaded from the CESS website www.cess.ac.in. The filled in application forms along with a registration fee (Rs. 500/- for applications directly obtained from CESS and Rs. 600/- in case of downloaded applications) by Cash or DD drawn in favour of "Director, CESS" payable at Hyderabad should reach the Coordinator (Research Programmes), Centre for Economic and Social Studies, Begumpet, Hyderabad - 500 016 on or before 5.00 PM on Saturday, 7th March 2015. The Registration Fee is non-refundable. All the updates will be available in the website www.cess.ac.in.

Entrance Test and Interviews: For eligible candidates, the Entrance Test will be conducted on Sunday, the 22nd March 2015 – for M.Phil from 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 noon and for Ph.D from 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m. – at CESS. The interviews for short-listed candidates will be conducted at CESS on Saturday and Sunday, the 11th and 12th April 2015. The selected candidates will have to attend the compulsory Course Work for Six weeks in Summer Session and Four weeks in Winter Session.

This Notification is issued strictly in accordance with the Guidelines issued by the UGC in June 2009.

CESS is located in Nizamiah Observatory Campus, and can be reached through the lane beside 'VIP World' shop on Greenlands-Ameerpet road. It can also be reached from the lane beside Aggarwal Eye Hospital after Durga Temple (Ameerpet-Punjagutta road) through Punjagutta colony. Tel: 040 - 2340 2789, 2341 6780. Fax: 2340 6808.

The important dates to be remembered:

Last date for submission of application forms: 07 March 2015 Entrance Test : 22 March 2015 Interviews : 11 & 12 April 2015

Advt. No. REGISTRAR