



ABSTRACT

Disaster Management Act 2005- COVID-19 – Educational Institutions under the control of Agriculture Department - Online classes to be conducted – Orders –Issued.

REVENUE AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT (DM-IV) DEPARTMENT

G.O. (Ms) No.329

Dated: 23.03.2021

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Read:

1. G.O (Ms) No. 673, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-IV) Department, dated 30.11.2020.
2. G.O (Ms) No. 84, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-IV) Department, dated 31.01.2021.
3. G.O (Ms) No. 318, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-IV) Department, dated 28.02.2021.
4. G.O (Ms) No. 327, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM-IV) Department, dated: 22.03.2021.

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ORDER

Whereas on considering the recommendations of the expert team of the Doctors and Public Health Specialists and based on the directive of Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs, State –wide lockdown was extended from time to time and lastly extended till 24.00 hours of 31.03.2021 under the Disaster Management Act, 2005 in G.O (Ms) No. 318, Revenue and Disaster Management (DM.4) Department, dated 28.02.2021.

2. In G.O fourth cited, all Higher Educational Institutions and Deemed Universities have been permitted to conduct online classes with effect from 23.03.2021 onwards with six working days.

3. The Agriculture Department has stated that in continuation, the Registrar, Tamil Nadu Agricultural University in his letter dated: 23.03.2021 has stated that there is no mention in the above G.O. about the Agriculture / Veterinary/ Fisheries/ Medical Science etc. in connection with conducting online classes. As Agricultural Education comes under the purview of Agricultural sector of Government of Tamil Nadu, he has suggested the following course of action for continuing / conducting online programmes in respect of colleges under the purview of TNAU as per column 5 of the Table given below:-

S. No	Name of the programme	Year	Current status	Permission required for	Remarks
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)
1	Diploma Agri. / Hort.	I year (Senior) 2020 - 21	Since 15.02.2021	They will undergo online theory classes until further order from 24.03.2021	-
2	Diploma Agri. / Hort.	Senior I Year II Semester (2019-20)	Classes continuing since 22.02.2021	Conducting theory classes on online until further orders from 24.03.2021	-
3	Undergraduate – Agri., Hort., Forestry and other programmes	I year I Semester	Normal theory classes started since 08.12.2021	They will undergo online theory classes until further order from 24.03.2021	-
4	Undergraduate – Agri., Hort., Forestry and other programmes	II year III Semester	Practical exams are in progress	Permission requested to continue this till 3rd April 2021	Theory exams will be conducted online
5	Undergraduate – Agri., Hort., Forestry and other programmes	III year V Semester	Practical exams are in progress	Permission requested to continue this till 3rd April 2021	Theory exams will be conducted online
6	Undergraduate – Agri., Hort., Forestry and other programmes	IV year VII Semester	Undergoing RAWE Internship / Village stay the programme is in the midway	To continue the programme since each location has only 5-6 students as per ICAR Mandate	Similar approach being followed in other SAUs also

7	M.Sc	I year I Semester	Under going courses physically	To continue the theory programmes by online	Already all these students are vaccinated at out hospital
8	M.Sc	II year I Semester	Under taking field and laboratory research with due isolation	For continuing the programme physically as they are few in number only in each lab / field	Already all these students are vaccinated at out hospital
9	Ph.D	I year I Semester	Undergoing classes and initiating research programmes	For continuing the programme physically as they are few in number only in each lab / field	Already all these students are vaccinated at out hospital
10	Ph.D	II year I Semester	Under taking field and laboratory research with due isolation	For continuing the programme physically as they are few in number only in each lab / field duly following SOP	Already all these students are vaccinated at our hospital
11	Ph.D	III year final Trimester			

5. Hence, the Agriculture Department has requested to issue orders in consonance with G.O.Ms.No.327, Revenue & Disaster Management (DM-IV) Dept, dated:22.03.2021, the following procedures may be approved for continuing / conducting online programmes in respect of TNAU as well as colleges under its purview, due to increase in the spread of COVID-19 infection:-

- (i) In respect of Diploma in Agriculture/Horticulture and UG (Agriculture/Horticulture/Forestry and other programmes-I year I semester), online theory classes may be conducted with effect from 24.03.2021 until further orders;

- (ii) For UG (Agriculture/Horticulture/ Forestry and other programmes - II year III semester and II year V semester), as Practical exams are in progress, they may be permitted to continue the said exams till 03.04.2021 by strictly following the SOP for COVID-19;
- (iii) For UG (Agriculture/Horticulture/ Forestry and other programmes - IV year VII semester) students are undergoing RAWI Internship / Village stay and as it is in the midway, they may be permitted to continue the said programme since each location will have only a few students (5-6 students) as per ICAR Mandate, by strictly following the SOP for COVID-19;
- (iv) For M.Sc (I Year I Semester), online theory classes may be conducted with effect from 24.03.2021 until further orders;
- (v) For M.Sc (II Year I Semester) students, as field and laboratory research are undergoing, they may be permitted to continue the programme physically as they are few in number in each lab / field, by strictly following the SOP for COVID-19;
- (vi) For Ph.D (I Year I Semester) students, as they are undergoing classes and initiating research programmes, they may be permitted to continue the programme physically as they are few in number in each lab / field, by strictly following the SOP for COVID-19;
- (vii) For Ph.D (II Year I Semester and III Year Final Trimester) students, as they are undertaking field and laboratory research with due isolation, they may be permitted to continue the programme physically as they are few in number in each lab / field, by strictly following the SOP for COVID-19;

(By order of the Governor)

**RAJEEV RANJAN
CHIEF SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.**

To

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All the District Collectors.

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