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To

All Pr. Secretaries/Secretaries/ Heads of Department/ Local & Autonomous Bodies, Govt. of NCT of Delhi.

Sub: 7th Batch of MITx Micro Master programme in Data, Economics and Development Policy (DEDP) under Integrated Government Online Training (iGOT) Programme through Massive Online Open Courses (MOOCs) mechanism - regarding

Madam/Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith letter No.T-16017/14/2020-iGOT dated 10.05.2021 along with its enclosures received from Under Secretary, Deptt. of Personnel and Training (Training Division), Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Government of India on the above cited subject for information & further necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

Encl: As above.

DEPUTY SECRETARY (SERVICES-I)

Dated: 27/0/2021

F.No. 2/25/2008/S.I/Pt.II/1/3/

Copy forwarded for information & necessary action to:-

1. The Under Secretary to the Govt. of India, Deptt. of Personnel and Training (Training Division), Block-IV, 4th Floor, Old JNU Campus, Opposite Bersarai Market, New Delhi-110067.

2. The Section Officer (Coordination), Services Department with the request to upload the letter on the official website of the Services Department.

DEPUTY SECRETARY (SERVICES-I)

No. T-16017/14/2020-iGOT Government of India Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions Department of Personnel and Training Training Division

Block-IV, 4th Floor, Old JNU Campus, Opposite Bersarai Market, New Delhi-110067 Dated: 10th May, 2021.

To

1) The Secretaries of all the Ministries / Departments of Govt of India.

2) The Chief Secretaries of all the State Governments / Union Territories.

3) All the Cadre Controlling Authorities of Group 'A' Central Services.

Subject:- 7th Batch of MITx Micro Masters programme in Data, Economics and Development Policy (DEDP) under Integrated Government Online Training (iGOT) Programme through Massive Online Open Courses (MOOCs) mechanism - reg.

Sir / Madam,

I am directed to refer to this Department's Circular of even number dated 13.01.2021 regarding MITx Micro Masters programme in Data, Economics and Development Policy(DEDP) under Integrated Government Online Training (iGOT) Programme through Massive Online Open Courses (MOOCs) mechanism.

- 2. This Department has offered the following six online courses of MITx Micro Masters programme in Data, Economics and Development Policy(DEDP) in collaboration with Abdul Latif Jameel Poverty Action Lab (J-PAL), South Asia and Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), USA under the iGOT initiative:-
 - (i) The Challenges of Global Poverty;
 - (ii) Designing and Running Randomized Evaluations;
 - (iii) Data Analysis for Social Scientists;
 - (iv) Principles of Microeconomics;
 - (v) Foundations of Development Policy; and
 - (vi) Political Economy and Economic Development
- 3. It may be noted that in the summer 2021 batch starting from June 1, 2021 (7th Batch) only 3 courses viz. Microeconomics, Data Analysis for Social Scientists and Foundations of Development Policy are being offered. In the fall 2021 batch starting from September, 2021 only 3 courses (Designing and Running Randomized Evaluations, The Challenges of Global Poverty and Political Economy and Economic Development) will be offered.

- These courses are offered three times a year viz., February, June and September. This Department is now inviting applications for the 7th Batch (Summer batch) of J-PAL's MITx Micro Master Programme in DEDP starting on June 1, 2021. All the details regarding MITx Micro Masters programme regarding registration process, eligibility, payments and reimbursements etc. are given below.
- The last date for receiving online applications (including completion of Google Form) for the Summer 2021 batch starting from June 1, 2021 is 31st May, 2021. The last date for making payment is 2nd July 2021.
- The eligibility criteria for enrolling for the said courses are:

Officers eligible: 6.1

All officers of Indian Administrative Service (IAS), Indian Police Service (IPS) and Indian Forest Service (IFoS), Central Civil Services Group 'A' Officers and all Group 'A' officers belonging to Central Secretariat Service (CSS), Central Secretariat Stenographer Service (CSSS) and State Administrative/Civil Service.

Eligibility in terms of Length of Service: 6.2

All the eligible officers should have served for at least two years from the end of the calendar year of their joining of service in their respective cadres.

Age Limit: 6.3

The Upper Age limit is 56 years as on 1st July of the year of commencement of training.

The officers are requested to ensure that they fulfill the eligibility conditions as reimbursement of course fee will be made only to the officers who satisfy the eligibility conditions mentioned above.

How to Apply 7.

- Please read all the Instructions/Frequently Asked Questions available on J-PAL's website carefully before applying. The FAQs are also attached as Annexure-I to this circular.
- Though there is no restriction regarding enrollment for more than one Course in one batch by any officer, given the time commitment that each course requires, it is advised that only one course should be enrolled in one batch by an officer.
- For Registration, log on to https://igot.nic.in. Then click on 'Approved Courses'. After selecting a course, click on the link "Register Here" below the name of that course. It will lead to J-PAL's website [J-PAL/MITx MicroMasters in Data, Economics, and Development Policy for Government of India Officials}. Follow all the steps for Registration given under 'How To Apply' on J-PAL's Website.03/-

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- 7.4 After registration on edX and MicroMasters in the DEDP portal, it is mandatory to fill the J-PAL Google Form as explained and the link provided on J-PAL's website. It may be noted that there are separate Google forms for the officers who are applying for the first time and who have already registered earlier. In the form, candidates are required to select the course that they want to enrol for in the current batch. Based on the selection they will receive the coupon code for that specific course only. After completion of the Google Form, a confirmation from J-PAL will be received through e-mail in due course. Thereafter, J-PAL will provide coupon code(s) for the discounted price of US\$ 100 per course per officer. This coupon code will be issued a few weeks after submission of application and prior to the payment deadline of 2nd July 2021.
- 7.5 The last date for applying is May 31, 2021 by 11:59 PM IST. It will not be possible for J-PAL to issue coupon codes or consider any changes in course selection after the May 31, 2021 deadline.
- 8. Course Completion, Payment, and Reimbursement
- 8.1 After completing the steps above, the candidates are required to start the course on **June 1**, 2021 and complete it by August 17, 2021.
- The candidates will receive a course-specific discounted coupon code, which will enable the candidates to pay for the course at a discounted price of \$100 USD. The said coupon code will be shared by J-PAL with the candidates before the payment deadline, along with instructions on how to apply it through the MicroMasters profile. The candidates are required to apply the coupon code and make payment before the payment deadline of 2nd July, 2021 in order to enroll on the full MicroMasters track and earn a course certificate. It is not necessary to make the payment prior to starting the course on June 1, 2021.
- 8.3. The candidates may receive an e-mail from MIT requesting for financial documents/income statement. Please note that as an applicant through the DoPT partnership, candidates are <u>not</u> required to send MIT these documents or indicate the income status anywhere on the MicroMasters portal.
- 8.4. In order to earn a MicroMasters course certificate, the candidates will be required to (i) attain passing grades in the online component of the course (delivered on edX) and (ii) pass an online proctored exam. The candidates who successfully earn this course certificate will then be reimbursed the course fee of \$100 USD by D/o Personnel & Training.
- 8.5. After successful completion of course, the candidates should intimate Section Officer (iGOT), Training Division, Department of Personnel & Training, Old JNU Campus, New Delhi at email id soigot-dopt@gov.in alongwith details of payment made, course completed and copy of Certificate. DoPT will get the details verified from the Cadre Controlling Authority concerned and the course fee paid by the candidates will be reimbursed to them directly.

- It is clarified that course fee will be reimbursed to an officer in respect of a particular course only once.
- It is requested that this initiative of iGOT programme for the Central and State Government officers may be given wide publicity and the officers may be encouraged to apply for the courses for the 7th Batch starting in June 1, 2021 under iGOT programme.
- For any query/help, candidates are required to carefully go through the FAQs in the appendix carefully. In case of any other doubt or question, the officers may consider the following:
- 10.1. For questions regarding dates and deadlines, the candidates are advised to go through the J-PAL website and the "Upcoming Dates" page on the MicroMasters DEDP website carefully.
- 10.2. For questions on the MicroMasters course or technical difficulties with the the candidates may contact: micromasterspayment/course portal, support@mit.edu with the subject line 'DoPT'.
- 10.3. For technical issues with the edX platform or online proctored exam, the candidate may contact edX support.
- 10.4. For questions regarding the courses, the candidates may contact J-PAL at email id - dopt@povertyactionlab.org.
- 10.5. For questions on reimbursement and any assistance/suggestions, the following officers of D/o Personnel & Training may be contacted:
 - (i) Shri Manoj Gupta, Under Secretary(iGOT), DoP&T. [Mobile No. 9811481448, Email-manoj.gupta74@nic.in]
 - (ii) Ms. V. Niang Langel, Section Officer(iGOT), DoP&T.[Mobile No. 9910702982, Email - soigot-dopt@gov.in].
 - Training Division, (iii) Shri Dinesh Upase, iGOT Coordination, DoP&T.[Mobile No. 9990298600, Email - dinesh.upase@nic.in].

Yours faithfully,

Under Secretary to the Govt. of India