Dear Colleagues,

You may be aware that proposal submission for GIAN phase III is started from September 1, 2019 and will continue till October 15, 2019. In this phase, more funding (over and above 8000/12000 \$ for GIAN) will be available to convert approved and completed GIAN courses to MOOC courses. This conversion is optional and requires the consent of foreign faculty and should be based on the MHRD guideline for MOOC courses. The funding for the MOOC courses will be decided based on this MHRD guideline. Please also note that MOOC conversion is not the GIAN team's responsibility. The course coordinator should contact the MOOC team of the Institute or the nearby Institute for the conversion.

In view of the above, the following is the implementation details:

1. GIAN proposal submission and course completion will be as per previous phase of GIAN. Manual for the local and course coordinator contain the detail procedure. However, in the proposal submission, input for conversion of MOOC will be taken. It is also advisable that if a course coordinator want his/her course to be converted to MOOC course then he/she should design the lecture hours as per MOOC course format as prescribed in the MHRD guideline. The foreign faculty also should be informed about the MOOC. Please also note, as per MHRD, MOOC is not used for commercial purpose.

2. After completion of the GIAN course and financial settlement of the GIAN grant, the course coordinator should make arrangement for MOOC conversion and inform the national coordinating Institute. The national coordinating institute will issue a separate sanction order and release fund for the MOOC course to the Institute where MOOC conversion will be made.

3. In this phase, host faculty/ national faculty will also be paid honorarium for delivering lectures in the GIAN course.

4. Local coordinator will also get Rs 5000 per course for maintaining office and his/her honorarium.

5. Fund generated from the registration fee of a course may be utilized for honorarium and contingency expenses.

3. The sanctioned fund from the National Coordinating Institute will be released online through PFMS system of GOI. Your Institute should take appropriate action regarding this.

4. All queries regarding GIAN should be sent to GIAN office. Please click 'Contact' in the GIAN portal for details.

I will be happy to receive any suggestion and feedback regarding implementation of earlier phases GIAN.

Regards,

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