

Dear Sir / Madam,

Greetings from Indira Gandhi National Open University (IGNOU) (A NAAC A++ Accredited University).

We are pleased to inform you that IGNOU has launched a '**Post Graduate Diploma in Animal Welfare (PGDAW)**' in Open and Distance Learning mode in collaboration with the University of Edinburgh. The programme is endorsed by **Animal Welfare Board of India**

Objectives:

- To impart science based animal welfare education through open and distance learning.
- To build capacities of stakeholders in taking socially responsible decisions concerning animal welfare.

Programme Structure:

- *Level of Programme:* PG Diploma in Animal Welfare (PGDAW)
- *Number of credits:* 32
- *Learning material:* 04 courses of 08 credits each (85 Modules)
- *Admission criterion:* Graduation in any discipline
- *Duration:* 1 Year (Admission valid for 3 years)
- *Fee:* Rs. 5400/- + Rs. 300 registration fee

The PGDAW programme covers welfare science, ethics, laws and standards of all managed animals like cattle and buffaloes; sheep and goat; pigs; poultry; working, performing, pet, zoo and lab animals in 85 modules. The study material has been developed in collaboration with the University of Edinburgh.

We are offering this programme through our Regional centres across India. Anyone who is interested can pursue this programme in Open and Distance Learning without any interruption to their regular work.

Who Can Take Admission?

- Veterinarians / Para-veterinarians in State / Central Government / RVC & Para-Military Forces.
- Members of CPCSEA / Institutional Animal Ethics Committees /Animal House Facilities.
- Faculty, Researchers, Technical Staff & PG / PhD Students in Universities, Research Organizations and Veterinary Colleges.
- Members of State Animal Welfare Boards / SPCAs.
- Civil Servants, Officials and Researchers Working in Forest Departments, Zoos and Wildlife Institutes
- Faculty and Research Scholars under Zoological Survey of India and Zoology Departments.
- Law Professionals dealing with Animal Welfare Laws.
- Employees & Volunteers Working in Animal Welfare Organizations / NGOs / *Gaushalas*.

- Animal Lovers, Pet Owners & Graduates Seeking Career as Animal Welfare Professionals.

The programme Flyer is attached for your kind perusal.

I request you to bring this to the notice of relevant contacts.

The online admission link is: <https://ignouadmission.samarth.edu.in/>

Admissions Last Date: 31st July 2022.

For further information, please contact the Regional Centre or the Programme Coordinator

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

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