

# CENTRAL UNIVERSITY OF ODISHA, KORAPUT

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### **New Feathers in the Academic Programme of CUO**

The Central University of Odisha is going to start three new undergraduate programmes and one postgraduate programme from the academic year 2023-24. These are four-year B.Sc. programmes in Agriculture Science, Dairy Science, and Forest Management and two-year PG/MBA Programme in Logistics and Supply Chain Management. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of the University Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi had a meeting in the Ministry of Education, Govt. of India, at New Delhi to discuss about the starting of new programmes for the young generations of not only Odisha but also India. Considering the academic scenario in India, it has been decided to launch the above new programmes to cater the interest of the young population including the tribal community.

"The Koraput region situated in the Eastern Ghats is a highland plateau with a number of hills and hillocks. Except for the North-Western and West-Central part, almost the entire

district is occupied by dense forests and highly rugged mountains. Agriculture, livestock, and forest products are the mainstay of the district economy, and more than 80% of the population in Koraput district directly depends on agriculture. The majority of farmers use traditional farming systems in Koraput whereas farmers all over the country are struggling to adopt modern technologies. This traditional knowledge is transmitted from generation to generation by families. It is worth mentioned that in 2012 the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) of the United Nations has accorded the status of Globally Important Agricultural Heritage System (GIAHS) to the traditional agricultural system being practiced in Koraput region of Odisha for promoting food security and conserving biodiversity. Keeping in view of the above, the University is going to start four-year B.Sc. programme in Agriculture Science, Dairy Science and Forest Management from the academic session 2023-24", said Prof. Chakradhar Tripathi, Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor of the CUO.

Further, He said that Koraput is a prominent producer of rice, millet, ginger, coffee, black pepper, vegetable, and jackfruit. Strawberry, dragon fruit, apple, banana, and other rare fruit are also produced in the Koraput soil. In spite of such huge production, there is no adequate management and supply chain system for marketing these products at the national and international level. The new programme i.e. two year PG/MBA programme in Logistics and Supply Chain Management will fulfill these demands.

The University will issue admission notification shortly for the above programmes and the admission process will be completed by 31<sup>st</sup> July 2023. The intake capacity in each discipline will be 44. The new faculty for the above programmes will be recruited in near future.

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#### **CUO to starts four New Programmes from 2023-24**

1. Bachelor Degree in Agriculture Science, Duration: 4year
2. Bachelor Degree in Dairy Science, Duration: 4years
3. Bachelor Degree in Forest Management Duration: 4year
4. PG/MBA (Logistics and Supply Chain Management), Duration: 2year