INTRODUCTION

Among all universities in the state Mahatma Gandhi University has the distinction for having the largest number of colleges affiliated to it which offer a multitude of programmes that stand out by the merit of their diversified content and employability. Despite the existence of such a broad spectrum of programmes seats remained unfilled in pre-CAP period due to the lack of a mechanism to showcase the programmes and to offer guidance to applicants for choosing the right programmes. It was with a view to tiding over these handicaps and to streamline the admission procedure that the Centralized Allotment Process (CAP) for Post Graduate Programmes was introduced by Mahatma Gandhi University in 2010. The introductory year witnessed overwhelming response from both the student community and the college authorities. The new admission system has succeeded in democratizing the admission procedure by ensuring transparency and social justice in it.

- Classification/Categorization of Seats: Seats available in Govt./Aided/Self-financing affiliated colleges and Self Financing
 programmes in Aided Colleges except autonomous colleges are mainly classified as Merit seats/Community merit seats
 (applicable only in aided colleges) and Management seats.
- 1.1 Details of seats that come under the ambit of Centralised Allotment Process (CAP):
 - i. Govt. Colleges: Total seats available in government colleges except seats under sports/cultural/PD Quota
 - ii. Aided Colleges: Open quota seats(50% in the case of aided/aided forward community Colleges and 40% in the case of aided backward Community Colleges), seats earmarked for SC/ST candidates (15% for SC and 5% for ST categories) & Community Merit Quota Seats (10% in the case of aided/aided forward community Colleges and 20% in the case of aided backward Community Colleges)
 - iii. Unaided Colleges/ Unaided programmes conducted in Aided Colleges: 50% of the total seats including seats reserved for SC/ST/SEBC
- 1.2 The remaining seats under management quota (Aided and Unaided Colleges and Unaided Programmes conducted in Aided Colleges) shall be filled by the colleges concerned.
- 2. RESERVATION OF SEATS
- 2.1 Types of Reservation: Out of the total Merit Seats available in Govt./Aided/Self financing affiliated colleges for various PG Programmes, seats will be reserved for different categories under the following main items:
 - i. Reservation for International Students
 - ii. Reservation for nominees
 - iii. Reservation for Persons with Disabilities
 - iv. Reservation for Transgender candidates
 - v. Special Reservation and
 - vi. Mandatory Reservation
- 2.1.1 Reservation for International Students: An additional 10 percentage of seats (over and above the sanctioned strength) is earmarked for foreign students for each UG programme. International students admission process will be through International Students Admission Committee(ISAC) co-ordinated by University Center for International Co-operation(UCIC www.ucicmgu.org, email ucicmgu@gmail.com, Mobile 9446224240). They can apply either on self or through the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) attached to the Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.
 - The ICCR offers a number of scholarships to enable International students to pursue higher studies in Universities and other recognized institutions of higher learning in India. The international students (except Govt. of India sponsored scheme) are