



UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION

NOTICE TO STATE UNIVERSITY ENTRANTS 2019/2020

INITIATIVE ON FACILITATING THE STATE UNIVERSITY ENTRANTS 2019/2020 TO PURCHASE LAPTOP COMPUTERS UNDER A SPECIAL LOAN SCHEME

The concept of traditional education has changed radically within the last couple of years. Being physically present in a classroom is not the only learning option available for the students who are now entering a new era — the revolution of online education.

The University Grants Commission recognized need of the students and decided to facilitate the new entrants-2019/2020, to purchase a Laptop computer in collaboration with People's Bank.

A special Loan scheme of Rupees One Hundred Thousand (Rs. 100,000/-) has been introduced for the students to purchase a Laptop Computer. As recommended by the expert committee of the university system, three options are available for the students to select Laptop Computers to suit their needs.

A recommended list of suppliers with their specifications and selling prices of the Laptop computers are published in the University Grants Commission's website (<https://www.ugc.ac.lk/>). Laptops are available from the price range of Rs. 80,500/- to 177,500/- based on different specifications. If the price of a Laptop selected by a student is higher than the Loan facility, student should pay the balance amount in cash or make any other arrangement with the vendor. Upon ordering by the students, recommended suppliers have consented to supply Laptop Computers within eight (08) weeks.

The Summary of the proposed scheme is given below for the information of the prospective students.

- a) **Eligibility** – The students who have been selected based on z-score of G.C.E. A/L 2019 and registered for the Academic Year 2019/2020 of the state Universities established under the University Grants Commission
- b) **Procedure** – As per the instruction given in the University Grants Commission's website – <https://www.ugc.ac.lk/>
- c) **Repayment plan** – Six year repayment plan with Four year grace period for capital payment
- d) **Warranty** – A Laptop Computer with four-year warranty
- e) **Microsoft Software** -All students who purchase laptop computers from recommended suppliers can register for Microsoft M365 Service which provides Microsoft Windows

10 Operating System and Office 365 Service free of charge provided by the University Grants Commission through MOU with Microsoft

For more details please visit University Grants Commission's web site: <https://www.ugc.ac.lk>.
This offer is subject to conditions.

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