

Memorandum of Understanding between IGNOU and Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW)

An MOU has been signed between IGNOU and Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), Ministry of Health & Family Welfare (MoHFW) on 10th April, 2018 training of health functionaries on biomedical waste management of health facilities of all States and Union Territories of India. The sponsored candidate includes Nodal Officer from the States, Quality Assurance Cells and Nodal person from State Medical College/Faculty Dept. of PSM. All these sponsored candidates are required to enroll in IGNOU's 6 months Certificate in Health Care Waste Management Programme. They also have to undergo a 3 days face to face workshop as part of their course.

The certificate programme has been developed to create essential knowledge and skills in health care waste and equip the learners to manage it effectively and safely and also safeguard the community against adverse health impact of health care waste. The course material of this programme is in line with the WHO guidelines for safe management of wastes from health-care activities 2014 and Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, India 2016, as amended.