FAQs on Eligibility for Admission in B.Ed. (ODL)

1. Why in prospectus, ‘and’ is used between two eligibility conditions?
   In prospectus, ‘and’ is used between two eligibility conditions because Candidates having bachelors/PG degree (as required for admission to B.Ed. face-to-face) is one of the essential eligibility condition along with any one of the two categories mentioned under eligibility ‘b’ as notified in NCTE norms and standards, 2014.

2. What is the meaning of ‘in-service elementary teacher’?
   As per FAQs given on www.ncte-india.org/ncte_new/pdf/faq_odl.pdf, An In-service teacher means who is employed as a teacher in elementary school or elementary stage of education. Trained teacher means a person who has completed a NCTE Recognized teacher education programme through face-to-face mode.

3. Is in-service a compulsory condition?
   For candidates fall under category (ii) of eligibility ‘b’, in-service is not a compulsory condition, i.e. the candidates who have completed a NCTE recognized teacher education programme through face-to-face mode.

4. What are the NCTE recognized face-to-face teacher education programmes?
   As per list available on http://ncte-india.org/ncte_new/?page_id=910, 15 programmes are NCTE recognized teacher education programmes, out of which following are face-to-face programmes:
   1. Diploma in early childhood education programme leading to Diploma in Preschool Education (DPSE)
   2. Elementary teacher education programme leading to Diploma in Elementary Education (D.El.Ed.).
   3. Bachelor of elementary teacher education programme leading to Bachelor of Elementary Education (B.El.Ed.) degree.
   4. Bachelor of education programme leading to Bachelor of Education (B.Ed.) degree.
   5. Master of education programme leading to Master of Education (M.Ed.) degree.
   6. Diploma in physical education programme leading to Diploma in Physical Education (D.P.Ed.).
7. Bachelor of physical education programme leading to Bachelor of Physical Education (B.P.Ed.) degree
8. Master of physical education programme leading to Master of Physical Education (M.P.Ed.) degree
9. Diploma in arts education (Visual Arts) programme leading to Diploma in Arts Education (Visual Arts)
10. Diploma in arts education (Performing Arts) programme leading to Diploma in Arts Education (Performing Arts)
11. 4-year integrated programme leading to B.A.B.Ed./B.Sc.B.Ed. degree.
12. Bachelor of education programme (Part Time) leading to Bachelor of Education (B.Ed) degree.

Apart from these, the programmes with older nomenclature like D.Ed., or any other but dully recognized by NCTE as face-to-face teacher education programmes may also be considered for admission in B.Ed. (ODL).

5. What do we mean by concerned/nearby regional center?
   The candidate should submit their application form only at the Regional Centre. It is clarified that the candidate who is in-service teacher must apply to the concerned/nearby Regional Centre under whose jurisdiction place of his/her school lies. For pre-service teachers, the concerned/nearby Regional Centre means the Regional Centre under whose jurisdiction place of his/her residence lies.’

6. Should we follow central government rules or state government rules for reservation and relaxation?
   The reservation and recognition norms as per central government are being followed by IGNOU for admission in all programmes of IGNOU.
7. **Is employment certificate mandatory?**

   It is not mandatory if a candidate is not applying as in-service elementary teacher. However, for in-service teachers, employment certificate from recognized schools will be considered.

8. **Are the course like DPE (from IGNOU) fall under category of eligibility for B.ED. (ODL)?**

   All the course including IGNOU DPE, which are not recognized as face-to-face teacher education programme by NCTE, will not be considered as eligibility for admission in B.Ed. (ODL) as per NCTE Norms and Standards, 2014.

9. **What is the minimum duration of experience for an in-service teacher?**

   There is no specified minimum duration of service. An in-service trained teacher means a teacher working presently in recognized school after completing a NCTE recognized face-to-face teacher education programme.