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DOCTORAL ENTRANCE TEST (DET)-2019

Ph.D./ M.Phil. ADMISSIONS-(2019-20)

GUIDELINES FOR RESEARCH ADVISORY COMMITTEES

The Research Advisory Committee will conduct the interview of the eligible candidates for admission in Ph.D./ M.Phil. The following students are eligible for interview:

1. The candidates who secured minimum 50 marks (45 for SC/ ST/ OBC) in Ph.D./M.Phil. Entrance Test (December, 2019).
2. The candidates who are exempted from Ph.D./M.Phil. Entrance test due to fulfilling one of the following criteria:
 - a. Have valid JRF awarded through UGC-NET / UGC-CSIR-NET
 - b. Have Teacher Fellowship for Research awarded by UGC/ AICTE or any other Govt. agency
 - c. Have Government/ Foreign Research Fellowship
 - d. Have M.Phil. degree (as per UGC Regulations 2009 or amended thereafter) with course work.

The research advisory committee will verify the eligibility of the candidate by checking the relevant documents. The candidates will bring with them the following documents for verification before interview:

- (i) Original certificates and mark sheets along with a self-attested copy of each of the certificate and mark sheet of 10th, 12th, Graduation, and P.G. classes.
- (ii) Original documents along with a self-attested copy of SC/ ST/ OBC /MP domicile certificate (whichever is applicable) to claim the benefit of reservation, as per MP Govt. rules.
- (iii) The candidates who are exempted from Ph.D./M.Phil. Entrance Test should also bring the documents related with the applicable exemption criterion.

The candidates are required to discuss their research interest / area through a presentation before a duly constituted Research Advisory Committee. The interview/*viva-voce* shall also consider the following aspects, viz. whether:

- the candidate possesses the competence for the proposed research;
- the research work can be suitably undertaken at the research centre;
- the proposed area of research can contribute to new/additional knowledge.

The candidates are also asked to bring the No Objection Certificate from the proposed Supervisor and Co-supervisor (if applicable) duly forwarded from the Head of the research centre (s). If the candidate brings this certificate then decision of the Supervisor / Co-Supervisor should be taken accordingly, if seats are available with him/ her. If the candidate does not bring such certificate then RAC may discuss with the appropriate Supervisor / Co-Supervisor (as per research area and available vacancy) and make the allotment accordingly.

The evaluation in interview will be based on 100 marks to be allocated in the following criteria, each of 25 marks:

- (i) Research plan
- (ii) Research potential/ aptitude
- (iii) Communication skills
- (iv) Subject knowledge in the respective area of research.

The RAC shall decide the cut-off marks in interview for admission for Ph.D. No cut-off marks for admission in M.Phil.

The Chairperson, RAC, will allocate the marks in each of above criterion after consensus. In case of disagreement among the members the average of the marks given by individual member will be the final marks in the criterion. Merit list will be prepared on the basis of the marks obtained out of 100 marks in the interview and the decided cut-off marks.

The RAC shall finalize the list of the candidates to be admitted to the Ph.D. or M.Phil. programme in the concerned subject as per the merit and availability of seats. It shall also allot the Research centre, Supervisor, Co-Supervisor (if any), and approve the tentative area of the proposed research work.

Note: (i) While granting admission to Ph.D./M.Phil. programme, the RAC will pay due attention to the State Reservation Policy.

(ii) The RAC should also see that only the predetermined number of students shall be admitted to Ph.D./M.Phil. programme.

The final list shall be submitted to the Ph.D. cell for approval of the Vice Chancellor.

10. Allocation of Supervisor:-

The allocation of the supervisor for a selected student shall finally be decided by the RAC in a formal manner depending on the available seats with the supervisor, the

available specialization among the supervisors and the research interest of the student as indicated during the interview.

In case Supervisor is not working at the research centre a Co-supervisor may be allotted from the research centre to guide and monitor the research scholar at the centre. In case Supervisor / Co-supervisor belongs to the Research Laboratory recognized by the University as research centre through MoU then respectively Co-supervisor/ Supervisor will be allotted from the UTD with which Research Laboratory has the MoU.

In case of topics which are of inter-disciplinary nature where the RAC feels that the expertise in the research centre has to be supplemented from outside, the RAC may appoint a Research Supervisor from the research centre, who shall be known as the Research Supervisor, and a Co-Supervisor from outside the Research centre/ Faculty / College/ University on such terms and conditions as may be specified and agreed upon by the consenting Institutions/Colleges.

A Research Supervisor who is a Professor or equivalent Scientist, at any given point of time, can guide upto a maximum of Eight (8) Ph.D. scholars. An Associate Professor or equivalent Scientist as Research Supervisor can guide upto a maximum of six (6) Ph.D. scholars and an Assistant Professor or equivalent Scientist as Research Supervisor can guide up to a maximum of four (4) Ph.D. scholars.

Maximum number of Ph.D. students can work under a Co-Supervisor will be same as mentioned above for Supervisor. However, the Vice-Chancellor may increase the number of Ph.D. students under a Co-Supervisor under very special circumstances.
