

## University Of Kashmir, Srinagar

## Circular

It is notified for the information of all concerned that the Vice-Chancellor has been pleased to authorize the following recommendation of the Advisory and Monitoring Committee regarding the smooth conduct of academic and sponsored research programme under COVID-19 Pandemic.

- a) Use of the Research Labs: In view of the demands of the faculty/Principal investigators from various Departments to allow the PhD/IPhD research scholars to use the Lab/experiment facilities in light of the likelihood of expiry of the reagents, chemicals and other perishable experimental material/stock, it was resolved in the Advisory and Monitoring Committee held on 17 June, 2020 that the Dean Research shall allow, on case to ease basis, the Research Scholars to attend the labs subject to the adherence of the COVID safety guidelines issued by the government of India and UT government from time to time. However, the concerned faculty/lab in-charge shall provide an undertaking for taking all the safety measures to minimize the risk of the COVID in the Lab/Dept. Accordingly, the PIs/Faculty shall approach the Dean Research for permission through the concerned Heads of the Department providing the roaster of the students attending the lab. The Proctor of the University shall thereafter facilitate the entry of the permitted research scholars into the campus/Departments.
- b) Academic clearance for thesis submission: The provision of the submission of the MPhil/PhD/IPhD thesis to the experts for its evaluation by the HoD's without pressing for the academic clearance before submission, authorized early by the Advisory and Monitoring Committee, shall continue to remain in vogue till further orders. This special provision under COVID notwithstanding, the HoDs are however encouraged to approach the Dean Research office for the issuance of the academic clearance of the students as the offices are now functional. Further the concerned HoDs shall make sure that before allowing the students to submit the thesis, the student should have met all the statutory requirements for the submission of the thesis as provided under the statutes governing the award of MPhil/PhD/IPhD
- c) Extension in the PhD/IPhD registration: The students who could not submit their thesis due to the COVID pandemic shall continue to avail six months extension from the expiry of their registration till the pandemic threat is significantly over. The HoDs shall forward the cases of the expired registration of the students during the

COVID pandemic to the Dean Research, through the concerned Deans of the schools for approval of special extension to their registration.

By order,

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Assistant Registrar (Research)

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- 1. Dean, Academic Affairs, University of Kashmir;
- 2. Dean, College Development Council, University of Kashmir;
- 3. Deans of all the Schools, University of Kashmir;
- 4. Heads of all Teaching Departments/Directors/Coordinators, University of Kashmir;
- 5. Director, IT & SS with a request to have it uploaded on the official website of University of Kashmir;
- 6. Media Coordinator, University of Kashmir for wide publicity to the circular in both print and electronic media;
- 7. SS to Vice-Chancellor for information of the Vice-Chancellor;

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- 8. PS to Registrar for information of the Registrar;
- 9. Master File/File.