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From,
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To,
Prof. Dr. Rajesh Kshirsagar
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Sub: - UGC Guideline on Ph.D. Viva voce in view of COVID - 19 Pandemic.

Sir,

In view of the COVID-19 pandemic and subsequent lockdown, all universities and college are closed. The teaching - learning process and research activities have been badly disrupted. In such scenario, it is also important to continue the educational process making effective use of technology and other available options.

The University Grants Commission constituted an Expert Committee to deliberate and make recommendations on the issue related to the Examination and the Academic Calendar for avoiding academic loss and taking appropriate measures in the interest of students.

Based on the recommendations of the Expert Committee, of the UGC the following Guidelines have been framed for the Examinations in the Universities.

1. The research centers may conduct the Ph.D. and M. Phil Viva -voce Examinations through Video Conferencing using Google, Skype, Microsoft Technologies or any other reliable and mutually convenient technology. While conducting the Viva -voce Examination through Video conferencing using electronic means, it may be ensured that it will be open to be attended by members of the Research Advisory Committee, all faculty members of the department, research scholars and other interested experts/ researchers, beside the Research Supervisor and Expert(s) Examiner(s), as applicable. It is also imperative on the part of the centre to maintain due record of the same, including the report signed by Experts(s)/Examiner(s) appointed for conducting the same.
2. The Ph.D. students, whose maximum period for submission of Ph.D. thesis is expired/expiring during the Corona pandemic period, may be

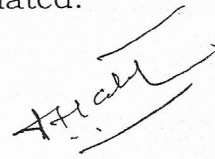
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allowed to submit their thesis, including completion of pending formalities, within six months from the date of expiry of regular prescribed period. The extension of six months may also be considered for those students who are yet to submit their thesis.

While conduct of the entire process of viva voce, you are requested to adhere to the UGC (Minimum standard and procedure for award of PhD degree) Regulations 2016 and the rules and regulations of PhD programme framed by the University.

Hon'ble Vice Chancellor has directed to follow the above mentioned guidelines.

Your kind co-operation in this regard will be highly appreciated.



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