SANT GADGE BABA AMRAVATI UNIVERSITY GAZETTE

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PART- ONE

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DIRECTION

No. 6/2021 Date : 4/02/2021

Subject : Online Recognition of Research Centre, during the period of COVID-19 Pandemic- Direction – 2021

Whereas, the Ordinance No.1 of 2016 is prescribed for "Award of Degree of **an Ordinance for Award of Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) (आचार्य पदवी), Recognition of Supervisor and Research Centre in all Faculties in accordance with the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M/Phil./ Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations 2016.)** Regulation 2016"

AND

Whereas, the said Ordinance is prescribed under off-line mode, and since last year COVID-19 Pandemic affected the lives in all spheres including education sector, its examination system, academic activities, and its allied administrative work.

AND

Whereas, due to COVID-19 Pandemic it becomes necessary to adopt online mode, for those works which are to be done physically so as to accelerate and continue the works related to academic programmed and its administrative works, recognition of Research Centers is one of them ,

AND

Whereas, for recognition of Research Centre on-line mode, the existing Ordinance No.1 of 2016 (Part –A, Para A-Z) is silent, for which provisions are to be prescribed, the Board of Deans in its meeting held on 11/12/2020. Vide Item No.100 has proposed the norms and procedure under Draft Ordinance, Form

AND

Whereas, the matter is to be prescribed by an Ordinance, and process of its prescribing is time consuming, the Vice-Chancellor has approved these norms and procedure, to U/S 12(7) of MPU Act,2016, on behalf of Academic Council and Management Council, with a view to implement them immediately,

Therefore, I, Dr. M.G. Chandekar, Vice-Chancellor. Under the Powers vested in me, vide section 12(8) of Maharashtra Public University Act.2016, do hereby issue the following Direction.

1) The Direction may be Called as "Online Recognition of Research Centre, during the period of COVID-19 Pandemic Direction 2021"
2) This Direction shall come into force from the date of its issuance,
3) The provisions in this Direction shall be operative only till the COVID-19 Pandemic period is over, and normalancy prevail.
4) The provisions in this Direction shall prevail over those relevant provisions in the Ordinance No.1 of 2016 till the period mentioned in para.3 above, there after those provisions in the Ordinance No. 1/2016 shall come into operation again.
5) This Direction is applicable to the following faculties
   I) Faculty of Science & Technology
   II) Faculty of Commerce & Management
   III) Faculty of Humanities
   IV) Faculty of Inter-disciplinary Studies

6) Colleges / Post-Graduate Department Affiliated to the University / Research laboratories of Central / State Government shall apply for recognition of research centre in the relevant subject/s in the prescribed format **(Appendix-A)** along with the prescribed fees**,** under any of the following categories.

i) a) Affiliated Colleges shall have standing of ten years in the relevant subject.
b) Must have at least one recognised Ph.D. supervisor in the relevant subject.

ii) Post-Graduate Department of Affiliated Colleges / Research laboratories of Central/ State Government/ having two teachers / scientists with Ph.D. degree within the jurisdiction of the University.

However, the institution(s) applying under category (i) or (ii) shall have to fulfill the following conditions:

i) Must have other academic administrative and supporting staff.

ii) Must have required infrastructure and research promotional facilities.

iii) Research laboratories with sophisticated instruments as required for research in the concerned subject.

iv) Adequate space for research scholar, computational facilities with essential software, internet facilities with sufficient band width uninterrupted power and water supply

v) Sufficient library resources including latest books, Indian and international journals, e-journals, extended working hours for all subject/ adequate space for research scholars in the department/library for reading, writing and storing study and research materials.

7) The University shall initiate the process of online recognition of research centre after the receipt of proposal in soft copy for the Recognition of research centre as per the prescribed format and fees .

8) The University shall communicate to the affiliated Colleges / Post-Graduate Department of affiliated / Research laboratories of the Central / State Government regarding the submission of the following documents on e-mail of Ph.D.Cell for the online recognition of the research centre.

a) Documents as per the checklist **(Appendix-B)** in the form of Zip File

b) A Video describing /covering all the infrastructural facilities available in College/Institution authenticated by the Principal/Director with the initial remarks

c) A Video should comprise of the followings.

i) Visual Information about the existing subject wise research centre
ii) Total geographical space occupied by the college/institute staring form the entrance of College /Institution.
iii) The separate space allotted for the research centre
iv) The physical infrastructure like tables/chairs/wardrobes
v) The technological infrastructure like computers/laptops/printers.
vi) The broadband facility for Internet accessibility/legel software/UPS facility.
vii) The laboratory facility wherever applicable
viii) The visual information about Library resources like books and journals related to the research. Online resources available for the research.
ix) The information of intake capacity approved by the University

9) After receipt of the information from the colleges/institution, the Ph.D.Cell shall forward the information to the committee members as per the provision in the Ordinance No.1/2016.

10) The Ph.D.Cell shall communicate the schedule of online meetings to the respective colleges/institution regarding the recognition of research centre as directed by the Chairman of the committee as per Ordinance 1/2016.The online meeting shall be in the presence of committee members, Principal/Supervisor/Head of the Department and Assistant/Deputy Registrar (Ph.D.Cell).

11) The Committee Members will verify the documents/video and other information submitted to the Ph.D.Cell in the online meeting. The committee may check the infrastructure through the live session if require in the online meeting.

12) The Committee Members shall submit the report to the University as per **(Appendix-C).**The recommendation of the Committee shall be placed before the Board of Deans (BOD) for approval.

13) The University shall communicate the decision of Board of Deans to the concerned Colleges / Post-Graduate Department Affiliated to the University / Research laboratories of Central / State Government.

14) If there are application form to increase intake capacity of the research centre then the similar procedure shall be adopted. The intake capcity requirement needs to be notified with increase in infrastructure, library facilities and other required norm and shall be presented to the committee is prescribed in the direction.

15) Any further instruction, if required and necessary, shall be issued by notification in Gazette Two of the University, For guidance or for necessary action and to be followed by all Concerned.

Sd/-
(Dr. M.G. Chandekar)
Vice-Chancellor
Sant Gadge Baba Amravati, University,
Amravati

Amravati
Date: 1.2.2021

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Appendix-A

SANT GADGE BABA AMRAVATI UNIVERSITY AMRAVATI

APPLICATION FOR THE RECOGNITION AS A RESEARCH CENTER FOR Ph.D. PROGRAMME

To,
The Assistant Registrar (Ph.D. Cell),
Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University,
Amravati.

1. Name of the College/Institute : _____

2. Year of Establishment of the Department (Specify the subject) : _____
   a) U.G. Department : _____
   b) P.G. Department : _____

3. Type of Affiliation : Permanent / Temporary (Duration) : _____

4. Whether the College/Institute is under section 2 (f) & 12(B) of the UGC Act 1956? : Yes/No

5. Whether the College / Institute is accredited by NAAC/NBA? : Yes / No

   Date of accreditation / reaccreditation: _____

6. Subject in which the recognition is sought : _____ Faculty: _____

7. Name of the Recognized Supervisor/s : _____

   _____

   Notification No. : _____

8. Number of Teachers / Scientists with Ph.D. Degree : _____

9. Infrastructural facilities exclusively available for Ph.D. Program:

   a. Space of the Research Laboratory in Sq. Meter : _____
      Expected Intake Capacity : _____
   b. Number of sophisticated instruments

   c. Library facilities :

      Total Space for Research Scholars: _____
      Working Hours: _____

   Details of Reference Books and Journals exclusively available for Ph.D. Programme :

   i) No. of Titles in the concerned subject : _____
   ii) No. of Journals in the concerned subject : _____
   iii) No. of e-Journals in the concerned subject :_____

d. ICT facilities **:**

i) No. of PCs (Latest configuration)
with Internet connectivity (exclusively for research students) : _____

ii) Speed of internet Connectivity (in Mbps) : _____

iii) Essential Legal Software : _____

iv) UPS Facility : _____

e. Administrative and Research Promotional Facilities :

_____

_____

Date: _____

Seal

Place: _____ **(Signature & Name of the Head/Principal)**

Note: Attach the attested photo copies and list of the relevant documents.

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Appendix-B

Check List Documents and Facilities to be submitted / shown at the time of
Research Centre Recognition Visit
(To be Printed and Placed before the committee)

Sr.No.	Details of Documents / Facilities	Yes/No
1	Copy of Reciept of Fee paid to the University	Yes/No
2	Letter of Extablishment of the college (Govt. of Mah.) and the first letter of Subject recognition (Govt. of Mah.)	Yes/No
3	Letter of Affiliation with SGBAU	Yes/No
4	List of teachers having Ph.D. degree with their designation and notification	Yes/No
5	Ph.D. Supervisor with their designation and Notification	Yes/No
6	Professor /Associate Professor / Assistant Professor Fixation letter (J.D. office/Management) of concerned teacher	Yes/No
7	2(f) & 12 (be) certificate by UGC	Yes/No
8	NAAC/NBA Accreditation Certificate	Yes/No
9	Declaration by the Supervisor in Prescriebed format	Yes/No
Infrastructural Facilities		
10	Separate Arrangement of Research Centre line stetch and necessary Furniture	Yes/No
11	Separate P.C. /s for Research Centre with latest configuration	Yes/No
12	Internet Connection with sufficient speed	Yes/No
13	Books (of Concerned & Research Methodology & Reference Books)	Yes/No
14	Journals and e-journals of Concerned subject	Yes/No
15	Essential Legal Software, Sophisticated Equipment/ Instruments and Line Sketch Plan of the Reaserch Laboratory	Yes/No
16	UPS Facilities, Essential Legal Software, Sophisticated Equipment/Instruments and Line Stetch Plan of the Research Laboratory	Yes/No
17	Other Admistrative Facilities, Essential Legal Software, Sophisticated Equipment/Instruments and Line Sketch Plan of the Research Laboratory	Yes/No

Stamp & Signature of The Principal

Appendix-C

SANT GADGE BABA AMRAVATI UNIVERSITY AMRAVATI

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR RECOGNITION AS A RESEARCH CENTER

1. Name of the College/Institute : _____

2. Year of Establishment (Specify the subject) : _____

   a) U.G. Department : _____

   b) P.G. Department : _____

3. Type of Affiliation : Permanent / Temporary (Duration) : _____

4. Subject in which the recognition is sought : _____ Faculty : ----------

5. Number of the Recognized Ph.D. Supervisor/s :

6. Number of Teachers / Scientists with Ph.D. Degree : ----------

7. Infrastructural facilities exclusively available for Ph.D. Program:

   a. Space of the Research Laboratory : Adequate / Indequate
   b. Sophisticated Instruments : Adequate / Indequate
   c. Library Facilities : Adequate / Indequate
   d. ICT Facilities : Adequate / Indequate
      i) No. of PCs (Letest configuartion) : ----------
      ii) Speed of Internet Connectivity (in Mbps) : ----------
      iii) No. of Essential Legal Software : ----------
      iv) UPS Facility (KVA) : ----------
   e. Administrative and Research Promotional Facilities : Adquate / Indequate

8. Date of Visit : -------/-------/----------

Based on the overall observations, the committee recommends the recognition of research center in subject _____ for the capacity _____ at the college / institute.

OR

Based on the overall observations, the committee does not recommend the recognition of research center in the subject.

Signature & Name	**Signature & Name**	**Signature & Name**
Chairperson	**Member**	**Member**

Date : _____/_____/_____
Place : _____/_____/_____

DIRECTION

No. 7/2021 Date : 4.2.2021

Subject : Scheme of conducting Online-Examination for Ph.D. Coursework-2019-20 Batch and till COVID-19 Pandemic period.

Whereas, the Ordinance No.1 of 2016 is prescribed for "Award of **an Ordinance for Award of Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) (आचार्य पदवी), Recognition of Supervisor and Research Centre in all Faculties in accordance with the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M/Phil./ Ph.D. Degrees) Regulations 2016.)** Regulation 2016" (Part B) and the Direction No.23 of 2016 is also in existence on, conduct of examination for Ph.D. Course Work.

AND

Whereas, due to COVID-19 Pandemic, it is difficult to conduct the examination for Ph.D. Course work of 2019-20 Batch, by following the existing provisions prescribed in Ordinance No.2016 and the Direction No.23 of 2016 which are framed for off-line mode.

AND

Whereas, with a view to conduct the examination on On-line mode and adopt MCQ Pattern only for the period of COVID-19 pandemic, the Board of Deans in its meeting held on 11/12/2020 vide item No. 101 has proposed the scheme therefor under the draft Ordinance form,

AND

Whereas, the matter is to be prescribied by an Ordinance, Prescribing of which is time consuming process, the Vice-Chancellor U/S 12(7) of MPU Act,2016 has approved the scheme on behalf of Academic Council and Management Council with a view to conduct the examinations, under COVID-19 Pandemic period.

Therefore, I, Dr. M.G. Chandekar, Vice-Chancellor . in exercise of powers vested in me vide section 12(7) of MPU Act.2016 do hereby issue the following Direction :

1) This Direction may be called "Scheme of conducting online Examination for Ph.D. Course Work 2019-20 Batch and till period of COVID-19 Pandemic Direction 2021."
2) This Direction shall come into force with effect from the date of its issuance.
3) The scheme under this Direction shall be operative only for the Research Scholars of Ph.D. Programmes for 2019-20 Batch (admitted in Jan2020) and till COVID-19 Pandemic is over and normalcy prevails.
4) The provisions in the following scheme under this Direction, shall prevail over those relevant provisions in the Ordinance No.1 of 2016 and Direction No.23 of 2016 only for the research scholars of Ph.D. Programmes of 2019-20 batch (admitted in Jan.20) and till the COVID-19 Pandemic is over, therefore Those provisions in the Ordinance No.1/2016 and Direction No.23/2016 shall again come into operation.
5) This Direction is applicable to the following faculties
   i) Faculty of Science & Technology
   ii) Faculty of Commerce & Management
   iii) Faculty of Humanities
   iv) Faculty of Inter-disciplinary Studies
6) The research scholar of Ph.D. programme for academic year 2019-20 has been admitted in Jan, 2020. The Ph.D. course work of this batch has been completed at respective Research Centers.
7) Direction No. 23 of 2016 Dt. 26.12.2016 is in existence which provides Scheme of Teaching and Examination for Ph.D. Course Work. Due to pandemic, it is not feasible to conduct the Examination and evaluation of Module – I (Theory) as prescribed by Direction 23 of 2016 for batch of Ph.D. Course work admitted for 2019-20 (Admitted in January 2020) in offline mode by adopting descriptive pattern.

8) It is essential to provide the Scheme of Examination and evaluation of Module – I (theory) for Ph.D. Course Work programme of the Batch admitted for 2019-20 (Admitted in January 2020) by online mode adopting MCQ pattern.

9) Scheme of examination and evaluation with respect to Paper –I (Theory) shall be read as under –

1. **Research Methodology (Module-1) (Theory)**

   i. Theory Examination for Module-1 shall be conducted by Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University.
   ii. The questions of Module -1 (Theory) will be based on the syllabus as prescribed by the University.
   iii. The Question paper for Theory part of the Module-I comprising 80 marks shall be set as per following instructions
      a. There shall be 40 Multiple Choice Questions evenly distributed on all the Units.
      b. All Questions carry two marks each. All questions are compulsory.
      c. There will be no negative marking for wrong answers. The question paper will be of one hour duration.
   iv. The evaluation of Module-I (theory) paper will be carried out by the University
   v. The internal assessment for module-1 shall be conducted by the research centre having 20 internal marks.
   vi. The Examination of all other papers (viz Paper-II, Paper-III, Paper-IV and Paper-IV) will be carried out by the Research Centre.
   vii. The final result of the Examination of Ph.D. Course work for the batch 2019-20 (Admitted in January 2020) will be declared by the University by taking into account of evaluation of all papers conducted by the University and the Research Centers with online mode.

10) The other provisions of Direction 23 of 2016 shall, in regard to the evaluation and examination mutadis-mutandis, apply.

11) In case of any question, doubt or ambiguity arises regarding the interpretation of any provision of this Direction, the matter may be referred directly or be taken suo moto by the Vice Chancellor who shall after taking such advice as he thinks necessary, decide the question, and his decision shall be final and conclusive.

12) All other provisions Ordinances, Directions pertaining to examination will mutadis-mutandis, apply.

13) After the examination, the provisions of Direction 23/2016 will again come into force and remain prospectively effective for next forthcoming examinations.

14) Any further instruction, if required and necessary, shall be issued by notification in Gazette Part-Two of the University, for guidance or for necessary action and to be followed by all the Concerned.

Sd/-
(Dr..M.G. Chandekar)
Vice-Chancellor
Sant Gadge Baba Amravati University,
Amravati

Amravati
Date: 1.2.2021