



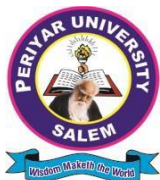
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1.	PREAMBLE
	<p>The Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) is a research programme offered by Periyar University. Ph.D. degree is awarded to a candidate who, as per these regulations, has enrolled and fulfilled all academic requirements and finally submitted a thesis based on original and independent research in any particular discipline or involving more than one discipline (interdisciplinary) that contributes to the advancement of knowledge, which is approved by the suitably appointed examiners as required. These regulations (Periyar University Ph.D. Regulations 2024) is formulated based on the University Grants Commission (UGC) Regulations 2022 (Minimum Standards and Procedure for the award of Ph.D. degree) and hence the Ph.D. degree awarded by Periyar University is in compliance with the UGC Regulations 2022. The registration will be automatically cancelled if any of the conditions/regulations/rules framed in these regulations is not adhered by the candidate/Supervisor/Department/Research centre including the guideship and affiliation approved for the Department/Research centre.</p>
2.	ELIGIBILITY
	<p>Admission to the Ph.D. programme shall be availed by candidates two times in a year, i.e., July and December sessions.</p>
2.1	MINIMUM EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATION
2.1.1	<p>Candidates should have obtained a post-graduate degree in one of the following pattern:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) SSLC + HSC + UG + PG (i.e., 10 + 2 + 3 + 2) (ii) SSLC + PUC + UG+ PG (i.e., 11 + 1 + 3 + 2) (iii) SSLC +3 year Diploma+2 year UG degree (Lateral entry) +2 year PG (i.e., 10+3+2+ 2) (iv) SSLC+3year Diploma+3year UG degree+2 year PG (i.e., 10+3+3+ 2) (v) SSLC +HSC+5 year integrated programme (i.e., 10+2+5) (vi) SSLC+HSC+ 4 year UG degree+ 2 year PG (i.e., 10+2+4+2) (vii) SSLC+HSC+ 4 year UG degree (Arts and Science) (i.e., 10+2+4) <p>completed as per UGC guidelines.</p>
2.1.2	<p>Candidates seeking admission to the Ph.D. programme shall have a Master's degree (mentioned in section 2.1.1 or obtained a professional degree equivalent to the Master's degree by the statutory regulatory body of Periyar University, with at least 55% marks or 50% for SC/ST/OBC (Non creamy layer/ differently abled) in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade).</p>

2.1.3	The candidates possessing PG degrees in Agriculture, Engineering and similar professional courses recommended by the PG-Board of Studies in the pattern mentioned in section 2.1.1 are also eligible for admission to the Ph.D. Programme of this University subject to the relevancy of their PG Programme. Medicine in UG and acquired PG in non-medical council programmes also eligible, provided it is related to Ph.D. programme of Periyar University.
2.1.4	CA/CS/ICWA qualified in the Institute of Chartered Accounts of India, Institute of Company Secretaries of India and Institute of Cost and Works Accountants of India and having a minimum two years of experience after obtaining their professional qualification can register as a part-time scholar to pursue research under a recognized Supervisor in the Departments of Commerce, Management Studies and Economics of an approved research centres.
2.1.5	Candidate seeking Ph.D. admission should have passed NET (UGC/CSIR) or Periyar University Common Entrance Test. The candidate possessing a Ph.D. already can seek admission directly.
2.1.6	Candidates with PG degrees from other Universities shall produce eligibility certificate obtained from the Periyar University at the time of registration.
2.2	ADMISSION CATEGORIES
	Candidates can register the Ph.D. programme under Full-Time or Part-Time.
2.2.1	FULL-TIME
2.2.1.1	Any candidate with the minimum qualification as prescribed in Section 2.1 of this regulation shall pursue research as a full-time scholar under a recognized Supervisor of the Periyar University either in the University Department or in the research department of an affiliated college of this University or in an institution which was approved by the University as a research centre.
2.2.1.2	Research Fellows/Research Assistants/Project Assistants appointed in the research projects funded by recognized funding agencies / Government, operated in the Departments of this University or approved research centres of this University are also eligible to register for Ph.D. on full-time basis in the same department/research centre provided they satisfy the eligibility criteria laid down in Section 2.1 of this regulation.
2.2.2	PART-TIME
	Any candidate with the minimum eligibility prescribed in Section 2.1 of this regulation and falling under any one of the following subsections shall pursue research as a part-time scholar under a recognized Supervisor working in a University Department or in any of the approved research department of an affiliated colleges/research institutions of this University.

2.2.2.1	A faculty member working in a University Department or in an affiliated college of this University or any institution located within the Periyar University jurisdiction affiliated to any technical institution/university.
2.2.2.2	A teacher working in a Higher Secondary School or High School located within Tamil Nadu with a minimum two years of continuous service.
2.2.2.3	A candidate (other than a teacher) in a regular job, within Tamil Nadu with a minimum two years of continuous service after the qualifying degree.
2.2.2.4	Research assistant, Technical assistant and non-teaching staff working in the Periyar University office/departments with a minimum two years of continuous service.
2.2.2.5	Full-time guest lecturers working in University Departments / Government / Government Aided Colleges Affiliated to this University having a minimum of two year experience are eligible for admission.
2.2.2.6	Candidates already holding a Ph.D. degree in a discipline/subject specialization are also eligible to register for Ph.D. programme in another discipline/specialization subject to the fulfillment of the conditions stipulated for admission/registration in this regulation. Such Ph.D. holders can seek admission directly (without CET).
2.2.2.7	Candidates seeking registration for Ph.D. programme under part-time category shall submit 'Service Certificate' and 'No Objection Certificate' from their respective Head of the Institution/Employer.
2.3	ELIGIBILITY FOR FOREIGN STUDENTS
2.3.1	Candidates from abroad are permitted to register for full-time Ph.D. programme as mentioned in Section 2.2.1 provided the candidate possesses academic requirements equivalent to academic qualifications mentioned in section 2.1. Once they apply with the necessary documents, the University shall decide on their eligibility and subsequent admission process.
2.3.2	An equivalent degree from a foreign educational institution accredited by an assessment and accreditation agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country to assess, accredit or assure quality and standards of educational institutions. The same may be verified and certified by Dean, Research, Research Coordinator and PG Board Chairman.
2.3.3	There is no need for entrance examination or other qualifying tests for admission.

2.3.4	INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH: For Interdisciplinary research, the proposal under interdisciplinary research should be submitted in the prescribed format (Annexure-1) duly approved by the Departmental Committee consisting of the members of the concerned departments along with the minutes forwarded by the Supervisor and the Head of the Department concerned to the University. For interdisciplinary research, a candidate may have a Co-Supervisor.			
3.	DURATION OF RESEARCH, EXTENSION AND RE-REGISTRATION			
3.1	DURATION: The minimum and maximum period of the Ph.D. programme is counted from the date of registration (as per the notification by the Research Section of this University) and the durations are as follows:			
	Mode	Category	Minimum Period	Maximum Period
	Full-time	With M. Phil.	2 years	5 years
		Without M. Phil.	3 years	5 years
	Part Time	With M. Phil.	3 years	6 years
		Without M. Phil.	4 years	6 years
3.2	EXTENSION PERIOD: Extension of time to pursue Ph.D. programme will be granted up to a maximum period of two years beyond the maximum period as per section 3.1 above on payment of the fee prescribed by the university. Such extension will be granted initially for one year and shall be extended for another year based on recommendations of the research Supervisor highlighting the quantum of work done and the need for second extension.			
3.3	RE-REGISTRATION: A candidate, who could not submit the synopsis even after the expiry of two years of extension period but completed the course work within a stipulated period may choose to re-register with the prescribed fees. For re- registration candidates should apply at least one month before the expiry of two years extension period, provided the candidate continues the research work on the same topic under the same Supervisor. In such instances, a re- registered candidate shall be permitted to submit the synopsis and the thesis at any time within the re-registration period of two years. The re-registered candidates shall continue to be governed by the same regulations under which he/she has previously registered. However, the fees must be paid as per the fee structure of the Ph.D. programme in force.			
3.4	SPECIAL EXTENSION: The Ph.D. candidates, who have submitted their synopsis and not submitted their thesis, may be granted a special extension of 6 months only once either after completion of second extension or re-registration period to submit the thesis. To get such extension, he/she shall submit an application within a month before the completion of second extension/re-registration			

	period with required fee prescribed by the University along with the recommendations of the research Supervisor highlighting the quantum of work done and the need for such an extension within which the thesis should have been submitted.
3.5	RELAXATION: The women candidates and persons with disability (more than 40% disability) may be allowed a relaxation of two years in the maximum period for the Ph.D. programme as per section 3.1 above.
4.	CONVERSION OF FULL-TIME REGISTRATION INTO PART-TIME AND VICE VERSA:
	Notwithstanding anything prescribed in these regulations, the University shall permit conversion from full-time research to part-time research and vice versa in respect of candidates registered, for valid reasons and subject to satisfying the regulations/ rules/conditions in force. The period taken by the candidate will be worked out in the ratio of 2:3 for research work done before and after such a conversion in the case of full-time to part-time (respectively 3:2 in the case of part-time to full-time). The conversion is allowed only once during the entire period of research after paying the prescribed fee. Candidates seeking conversion from full-time to part-time shall intimate to the Head of the Department and the Research Co-ordinator within a month from date of joining job/position along with a copy of appointment order. Otherwise a special fees as prescribed by the University has to be paid for continuing Ph.D. programme with appropriate explanation for the delay.
5.	ATTENDANCE REQUIREMENTS
5.1	FULL-TIME
5.1.1	Full-time research scholars shall sign the attendance register on all working days and the same shall be counter signed and maintained by the Head of the Department. Full-time candidate shall attend the Institution until he/she submits the thesis.
5.1.2	Full-time students can avail 30 days on duty leave for research related work per year. Additional on duty leave may be granted by the Head of Department with the recommendation of the Research Supervisor if their research work warrants such requirement.
5.1.3	Candidates registered for full-time Ph.D. programme shall secure a minimum of 80% attendance every year, including short-term training programmes, data collection, field visit, workshops, seminars, conferences, etc., attended by them outside the University on the recommendation of the Supervisor and with the prior permission of the Head of the Department/Principal of the affiliated college.

5.1.4	Candidates availing fellowship will be governed by the leave rules laid by the funding agency.
5.2	PART-TIME: Candidates registered on a part-time basis in the discipline involving laboratory shall work for a minimum of 120 days and 60 days in case of non-laboratory discipline in the Research Centre directly under the guidance of the research Supervisor for the whole period of research. The Head of the Department of the research centre concerned shall certify the same while the candidate submits the progress reports once in a year.
5.3	WOMEN CANDIDATES: Women candidates may be permitted to avail maternity leave/child care leave for a period up to 240 days once in the entire duration of the Ph.D. programme. A woman candidate availing fellowship shall be allowed to avail maternity leave as per the guidelines of the funding agency. The maternity leave taken shall be intimated immediately to the Head of the Department/Institution and Research Coordinator with proper supporting documents.
6.	QUALIFICATIONS AND RECOGNITION FOR RESEARCH SUPERVISOR:
6.1	Regular faculty members working as Professors in University Department or in an Affiliated College of this University or in a Research Centre approved by this University with at least five research publications (other than Ph.D. research work) as first or sole corresponding author in UGC CARE list of journals out of which at least three must be in Web of Science/Scopus listed journals shall be recognized as a Research Supervisor. The research articles published in Web of Science/Scopus journals should be indexed in Web of Science/Scopus database.
6.2	Regular faculty members working as Associate Professors in University Department or an Affiliated College of this University or a Research Centre approved by this University with at least 2 years of teaching/post-doctoral experience after the award of Ph.D. degree and having at least three research publications (other than Ph.D. research work) as first or sole corresponding author in Web of Science/Scopus listed journals shall be recognized as a Research Supervisor. The research articles published in Web of Science/Scopus journals should be indexed in Web of Science/Scopus data base.
6.3	Regular faculty members working as Assistant Professors in University Department or an Affiliated College of this University or a Research Centre approved by this University with at least 2 years of teaching/post-doctoral experience after the award of Ph.D. degree and having at least two research

	publications (other than Ph.D. research work) as first or sole corresponding author in UGC-CARE list of journals out of which at least one must be in Web of Science/Scopus listed journals shall be recognized as a Research Supervisor. The research articles published in Web of Science/Scopus journals should be indexed in Web of Science/Scopus data base.
6.4	Regular faculty member working in University Department or Affiliated College or an approved Research Centre of this University shall apply to the University in prescribed form enclosing necessary documents and the necessary fees for recognition as Research Supervisor.
6.5	A faculty member working in a self-financing college on a regular basis and who applies for the recognition as Research Supervisor shall submit a copy of the "Qualification Approval" issued by the Registrar of this University along with their application.
6.6	Recognition of Research Supervisor shall be permitted to the teachers working as Guest Lecturers/Teaching Assistants in Government / Aided College having recognized research centre. They should have completed atleast two years of experience in the same University department/college.
6.7	The entire process of recognition as Research Supervisor shall be based on the recommendations of the Committee consisting of the Research Coordinator/Dean of Research and Dean of the respective faculty and Chairman of the BoS (PG). The committee recommendation shall be submitted as minutes to the Research Section and the same shall be approved by the authorities of the University.
7	RULES GOVERNING RESEARCH SUPERVISOR:
7.1	An eligible Professor/Associate Professor/Assistant Professor can guide up to eight (8)/six (6)/four (4), respectively at any given time subject to the facilities available at the respective centres.
7.2	The number of part-time candidates under a Supervisor shall not exceed 50% of the total number of candidates permitted under any Research Supervisor.
7.3	The Supervisor shall submit the change of designation (with supporting documents) to increase the intake of Research Scholars under his/her supervision.
7.4	Vacancy under a guide will arise as and when the registered candidate submits the Ph.D. thesis or cancellation of registration.
7.5	A Supervisor shall not guide his/her immediate or close relative and to this effect, he/she shall furnish a declaration in the column provided in the application form for admission.

7.6	Serving as Co-Supervisor will not restrict the maximum number of candidates registered under his/her guidance.
7.7	Upper age limit of the research Supervisors for registration of fresh candidates for doing Ph.D. programme under their supervision is fixed as 58 years or 2 calendar year prior to their retirement whichever is earlier.
7.8	After submission of the panel of examiners, communicating with the external examiners in any form by the Supervisor/ Co-Supervisor (if any) / Head of the Department leads to cancellation of guideship.
7.9	It is the responsibility of the Supervisor to direct the research scholars to complete the Ph.D. programme successfully in the stipulated time and maintain all the records and progress work of the individual research scholars.
8	CHANGE OF SUPERVISOR
8.1	Research Supervisors who have retired from his/her service or resigns and joins another institution or transferred or migrated to any institute, shall be intimated by the Head of the Institution/Department to the Research Coordinator within 15 working days.
8.2	Transfer of Ph.D. scholars from one Research Supervisor to another Research Supervisor shall be possible, if the mutual willingness is given by both the original and the new Supervisor provided the scholar has submitted periodical reports at the time of applying for a change of Supervisor.
8.3	If the candidate wishes to change Supervisor, who is working in an approved research centre, the candidate shall submit a letter of request for a change of Supervisor with valid reasons.
8.4	If the Supervisor is not willing to continue the research guidance for any of the candidates registered under him/her, the Research Supervisor shall submit a letter of request to the University expressing his unwillingness to supervise the candidate providing valid reasons.
8.5	The Supervisors who wish to avail leave/lien/deputation beyond a period of six months shall nominate a Co-Supervisor in the concerned subject for the candidates registered under them and the same is to be intimated to the University research section in advance for approval.
8.6	On the demise of the Supervisor, the candidate shall be permitted to transfer his/her registration to another Supervisor in an approved research centre after getting permission from the University.
8.7	If a Supervisor is transferred to another college with an approved research centre within Periyar University jurisdiction, the candidates of the respective

	Supervisor shall continue their research under the same Supervisor by getting the change of centre by paying the prescribed fee.
8.8	If a Supervisor is posted on transfer where the department of a college is not recognized as a Research Centre by Periyar University, then the candidates registered under the above-said Supervisor should (a) either get change of Supervisor in the same institution by paying the prescribed fee (or) (b) the candidates shall continue their research in the same college only after having a Co-Supervisor in the same college.
8.9	If a Supervisor is transferred to a college situated within the jurisdiction of Periyar University, the candidates registered is permitted to continue their research with same Supervisor and continue to work in the same centre. In case of any dispute the same shall be represented to the Grievance committee for redressal.
8.10	If a Supervisor is transferred to a college situated outside the jurisdiction of Periyar University, the candidates registered is permitted to continue their research with a Supervisor recognized in the same centre, if the candidate has completed only his/her course work. If the candidate has submitted the synopsis/thesis they are permitted to continue with same Supervisor by nominating a Co-Supervisor from their research centre after getting the approval of Research Coordinator.
9.	ADMISSION PROCEDURE
9.1	The candidate shall be given admission for Ph.D. programme twice a year during July and December. The admission shall be based on Common Entrance Examinations (CET) of Periyar University and by an interview. Candidates who have qualified NET (UGC/CSIR) and those who possess Ph.D. already are exempted from writing CET.
9.2	The applicants aspiring to join Ph.D. in a University Department or Research Centre of an affiliated college or an approved Research Centre of this University shall submit their applications online to Research Section Management (RSM) portal. Call for applications for the CET will be advertised in newspapers/University website during May/October every year.

9.3	The CET carries 70 Marks while the interview carries 30 Marks. CET shall be conducted for 70 marks comprising of 70 multiple choice questions to be answered in 90 minutes and interview shall be conducted for 30 marks. Those candidates who secured at least 28 marks in the written test will be declared eligible to apply for Ph.D. and attend interview. The candidate shall secure 50% marks out of 100 marks altogether (CET 70 + interview 30) are eligible for Ph.D. admission. The awarded marks in the common entrance test shall be valid for one more session (one year) shall be permitted to register for the Ph.D. programme.
9.4	The marks obtained in the NET examinations shall be given 70% weightage while the remaining 30% for the interview shall be considered for admission to Ph.D. programmes. The Ph.D. admission will be based on the combined merit of NET marks and the marks obtained in the interview (totally not less than 50%).
9.5	The candidates who are declared eligible in the entrance test or having NET marks to apply for Ph.D. registration through the Research Section Management (RSM) portal of this University. The call for submission of application will be advertised in the University website during May/October.
9.6	Based on the submission of the application for Ph.D. registration, personal interview will be conducted for 30 marks to identify the candidate's research interest/knowledge in the area of research through a presentation before the interview committee consisting of all approved Supervisors. The interview committee shall also check the applicant's competence for research.
9.7	Candidates securing at least 50% marks altogether (entrance test or NET marks and interview) are eligible for admission. The final rank list shall be prepared by taking into consideration of CET score or NET score and interview marks (50 %) and marks in P.G (50%).
9.8	Candidates qualified UGC-NET-JRF, UGC-CSIR-NET-JRF or sanctioned with national fellowships like DST-INSPIRE Fellowship, UGC-Rajiv Gandhi National Fellowship (RJNF), DBT-JRF, ICAR-JRF and ICMR-JRF) and state level research fellowship like Chief Minister Research Fellowship are exempted from writing CET and shall be admitted directly at any time during the year. However, these candidates have to apply and appear for an interview at the respective research centres and preference will be given in the admission.
9.9	Project fellows working in Major Research Projects shall be admitted after qualifying in CET and interview.

10.	RECOGNITION OF RESEARCH CENTRES:
10.1	Departments of this University/Approved Research Centre of Affiliated Colleges may offer Ph.D. programmes provided they satisfy the availability of eligible Research Supervisors, required infrastructure, administrative support, research facilities and library resources.
10.2	Research Departments of affiliated colleges which are recognized by the University as a research centre upon application. The following are the requirements for recognition of the Research Centre in an affiliated college of this University.
10.2.1	The proposed Research Centre shall be an approved Post-Graduate Department of an Affiliated College. However, in very exceptional cases, for languages Hindi, Urdu, Sanskrit, UG colleges may be permitted as research centres.
10.2.2	At least two approved Research Supervisors in the subject concerned should be working at the proposed centre.
10.2.3	Library facilities with adequate books and journals in the area of research, INFLIBNET and internet facilities.
10.2.4	Separate research laboratories with equipment for the disciplines concerned.
10.2.5	Adequate working space for the research students in terms of study rooms, seminar room facilities, etc. The proportionate increase in the hostel, canteen, and other student amenities should be made available.
10.2.6	The details regarding the Research Profile of the Department seeking recognition along with the department/faculty contributions made in the respective fields shall be submitted in the application for recognition as a research centre. In addition, the application shall also contain the details of existing infrastructure facilities of the Department/Institution.
10.2.7	The sanction of student's strength to the research department shall be based on the infrastructure available, number of approved Supervisors and recommendations of the Inspection committee constituted by Vice Chancellor.
10.2.8	Research and Development Centres/Laboratories of public and private sectors located in the territorial jurisdiction of the University may also be recognized as Research Centre for offering Ph.D. programmes provided there should have at least two recognized Supervisors in the R&D centres. (This is necessary because in the event one of the Supervisor leaving the organization the students shall be shifted to the remaining research Supervisor).

10.2.9	The organization should permit the students to publish/present the paper at the National/International Conferences.
10.2.10	Researchers working with Ph.D. degrees who fulfil the norms of the University as per section 6 shall be recognized as Supervisors.
10.2.11	It is the responsibility of the R & D Centres/Institutions to provide necessary facilities and resources to the research scholars until he/she completes his/her research work.
10.2.12	It is the responsibility of the concerned Head of the Institution/Department of the research centre to maintain the records of the registered candidates such as details of admission, fee payment, attendance, minutes of doctoral committee, progress report, submission of synopsis / thesis, etc.
11.	ALLOCATION OF RESEARCH SUPERVISORS: The allocation of Supervisor for a selected candidate shall be decided by the Department Selection Committee depending on the research interest of the applicant, the number of students per research Supervisor and the available specialization among the Supervisors. While allocating a Supervisor, the choice of Supervisor and the candidate shall be discussed and decided accordingly.
12.	DOCTORAL COMMITTEE AND ITS FUNCTIONS
12.1	CONSTITUTION OF DOCTORAL COMMITTEE
12.1.1	For every Ph.D. scholar, a Doctoral Committee of not less than three members shall be constituted by the Supervisor with the approval of the University as follows:
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Research Supervisor of the candidate shall be the Convener. b. Head of the Department of the respective Research Centre. c. External subject expert within Tamil Nadu, at the level of at least an Associate Professor with Ph.D. (or) an Assistant Professor with Ph.D. and 10 years of teaching experience (Qualification approval from the respective University required). d. Co-Supervisors from within the same department or other departments of the same institution or other institutions shall be permitted with the approval of Research Coordinator, in case of interdisciplinary/ multidisciplinary research work.
12.1.2	If the HOD is the Research Supervisor, the next senior faculty member who is a recognized Supervisor in the department shall be nominated as a member. If there is no recognized Supervisor in the department, then the Principal can nominate a recognized Supervisor from other department related to the Ph.D. programme. In case, the Head of the Department (HoD) is not a recognised

	Supervisor, the next senior faculty member who is a recognised Supervisor in the department shall be nominated.
12.2	FUNCTIONS OF DOCTORAL COMMITTEE
	<p>The Doctoral Committee shall have the following responsibilities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. To review the research proposal and finalize the topic of research. b. To guide the Ph.D. scholar in developing the study design and methodology of research and identify the course(s). c. To review and assist in the progress of the research work of the Ph.D. scholar. d. In case the progress of the Ph.D. scholar is unsatisfactory, the Doctoral committee shall record the reasons for the same and suggest corrective measures and shall conduct another meeting within six months of the first meeting. If the Ph.D. scholar fails to implement these corrective measures, the Doctoral Committee may recommend with specific reasons, the cancellation of the registration of the Ph.D. scholar from the Ph.D. programme.
12.3	CONDUCT OF DOCTORAL COMMITTEE MEETINGS
12.3.1	At least two doctoral committee meetings shall be conducted for every Ph.D. Scholar.
12.3.2	The syllabus for the coursework shall be framed and approved by the doctoral committee through circulation within four months from the date of registration.
12.3.3	Upon satisfactory completion of course work and obtaining the marks, the first doctoral committee meeting shall be conducted within two months and the committee shall review the progress made by the research scholar in the topic of research work or identification of the research problems through a presentation.
12.3.4	Minutes of first doctoral committee meeting in the prescribed format (Annexure-2) along with the statement of marks of the Ph.D. coursework examinations shall be submitted to the University within 10 working days to confirm the Ph.D. registration.
12.3.5	The second doctoral committee meeting shall be conducted only after obtaining the certificate of publications as per this regulation from the Research Co-ordinator and before the submission of the synopsis.
12.3.6	The doctoral committee shall assess and certify the quality and quantum of research work and publications through a Pre-Ph.D. presentation. Without such a certificate, the synopsis shall not be accepted.

12.3.7	<p>As soon as the conduct of doctoral committee meetings, the proceedings of the doctoral committee (Annexure-3) shall be submitted to Research Coordinator by the Supervisor. The minutes of the second Doctoral Committee shall reflect the following:</p> <p>(a) Performance of the candidate in the pre-Ph.D. presentation.</p> <p>(b) Quantum of research work done.</p> <p>(c) Eligible number of publications and paper presentation required for submission of synopsis as in section 19.2.</p>																					
13.	COURSEWORK																					
13.1	A candidate provisionally registered for the Ph.D. degree without M.Phil. degree should complete five courses namely four under Part A and one under Part B at the end of the first year of the Ph.D. programme as indicated under section 13.3.																					
13.2	A candidate with M.Phil. Degree has to complete a course on Research and Publication Ethics under Part A and one course in the relevant research area under Part B at the end of the first year.																					
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13.4.	The evaluation of the coursework papers shall be done as per the direction of Controller of Examinations and the statement of marks for the coursework examination shall be issued by the office of the Controller of Examinations.																					
13.5	The candidate should secure a minimum of 50% in each course and have to secure an aggregate of 55% marks in the examination shall be declared that he/she has completed the coursework for the Ph.D. programme. To secure minimum marks in each course a candidate shall be permitted for two more appearances. In order to secure minimum in the aggregate of 55% only one attempt is permitted for improvement.																					

14.	CONFIRMATION OF REGISTRATION:
14.1	The Ph.D. registration of the candidate shall be confirmed on successful completion of the coursework examinations as mentioned in section 13. For the same, the candidate shall make a presentation on the proposed research work before the Doctoral Committee during its first meeting. On the basis of recommendations of the first doctoral committee meeting, the Ph.D. registration of the candidate shall be confirmed and permitted to continue to do research and submit the thesis, after the minimum duration of research as prescribed in section 3.1 of this regulation.
14.2	Continuation of Ph.D. Programme: The registered Ph.D. candidates shall be permitted to their programme only by payment of annual fees within 30 days from the date of beginning of every year. Failing to pay the annual fee may lead to cancellation of registration or penalty.
15.	PROGRESS REPORT SUBMISSION
15.1	Every scholar of the Ph.D. programme shall submit / upload progress report (Annexure-4) in the prescribed format once in six months in the case of full-time candidates and once in a year in the case of part-time candidates and the same shall be forwarded to Research Coordinator by the Supervisor and Head of the Department. Periodical submission of progress reports should be ensured by the Supervisor. It is the responsibility of the Supervisor to report the failure if any on the part of the scholar regarding progress made to the research section of the University.
15.2	Attendance certificate should be enclosed at the time of progress report submission for the respective period.
16.	CANCELLATION OF PH.D. REGISTRATION
16.1	The registration is liable for cancellation by the University, if <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) The scholar has not paid the annual fee within a month from the beginning of every year. (b) Two successive progress reports are not submitted. (c) If the scholar fails to complete the coursework examination within two years from the date of registration for the Ph.D. programme. (d) The performance is not satisfactory to the Doctoral Committee and accordingly recommended for cancellation. (e) Continuous absence beyond 30 days without prior permission of the Head of the Department, which is not informed to Research Coordinator.

	<p>(f) The scholar wishes to withdraw the programme and requests for cancellation of his/her registration.</p> <p>(g) Communicating with the thesis examiners in any form by the Scholar.</p> <p>(h) Any unethical practice by the scholar.</p> <p>(i) Any violation of this rules and regulations of the Ph.D. programme.</p>
16.2	<p>If the Research Supervisor requests the University for Cancellation of the registration of any research scholar under his supervision, the same shall be informed to the research scholar about the grounds on which the registration is being proposed for cancellation. In case of any representation from the candidate within two weeks, the research section shall refer the matter to the Grievance Redressal Committee which may either suggest cancellation or continue or change of Supervisor based on the merit of the case. The decision of the committee shall be final. In case of no response from the research scholar within 15 days of the intimation, it shall be presumed that the candidate assent the cancellation of registration, and the research section shall act accordingly.</p>
17.	<p>REVOCATION OF CANCELLATION: The cancellation of Ph.D. registration shall be revoked upon paying the prescribed revocation fees along with pending fees due to the University and shall continue his/her research. The candidate may submit a request letter through proper channel to the University to revoke the cancellation order within three months from the date of issue of cancellation.</p>
18.	<p>PRE-PH.D. PRESENTATION</p>
18.1	<p>The pre-Ph.D. presentation is a requirement to fine-tune the research work of the candidate. This presentation shall be conducted during the second doctoral committee meeting before the submission of the synopsis at the research centre concerned in the presence of the Doctoral Committee Members, faculty members and research scholars. The pre-Ph.D. presentation shall be conducted after notifying the same by Supervisor at least 7 days before the date of presentation. The scholar is expected to present the first draft of the research work or can explain the research findings. The gathering may suggest ideas/references to improve the research work and so on. Report of the pre-Ph.D. Viva-Voce examination shall be submitted as in (Annexure-5).</p>
18.2	<p>If the candidate is not successful in the pre-Ph.D. presentation, the candidate can appear again after one month for another pre-Ph.D. presentation.</p>
18.3	<p>The Supervisor shall submit the minutes of the Pre-Ph.D. presentation of the candidate as mentioned in section 12.3.7.</p>

19.	SUBMISSION OF SYNOPSIS
19.1	<p>Any Ph.D. scholar fulfilling the eligibility criteria under section 19.2 shall submit only the synopsis or both synopsis and thesis along with the required documents via the Research Section Management portal through the Supervisor or the Convener of the doctoral committee wherever relevant with prescribed fees. The candidate shall also submit two hard copies of the synopsis and thesis immediately to the research section after the online submission. The candidate shall be allowed to submit the thesis within 3 months from the date of submission of the synopsis. In case, the candidate fails to submit the thesis within the above period, another period of three months may be given as one-time extension to submit the thesis by paying the prescribed fees. Beyond the period of six months from the date of submission of the synopsis, the candidate has to resubmit the synopsis with prescribed fees.</p>
19.2	ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA FOR SUBMISSION OF SYNOPSIS
	<p>(a) Candidate should have at least two research publications as first author and Supervisor as sole corresponding author in Web of Science/Scopus listed journals in the relevant theme of the thesis.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">(or)</p> <p>At least two research publications as the first author and Supervisor as sole corresponding author in the relevant theme of the thesis out of which one from Web of Science/Scopus listed journals and the other from the UGC CARE list of journals. In case of Tamil language, publications in 2 UGC Care listed journals are permitted. The research articles published in Web of Science/Scopus journals must be indexed in respective data base. In case of delayed indexing the genuineness certificate shall be used as eligibility.</p> <p>(b) Certificates of presentations in the conferences/seminars (2 Nos.) in the relevant theme of the thesis.</p> <p>(c) Publications without Supervisor name will not be considered.</p>

Note:	<p>a. For issuing the compliance certificate for Ph.D. awardees, it is mandatory that the candidates should have two research publications in the journals and at least two research papers presented in conferences / seminars.</p> <p>b. The research section shall verify the research publications of the candidate before conducting the second doctoral committee meeting. The research section shall permit the candidate to submit the synopsis based on the recommendations of the Doctoral committee.</p>
19.3	GUIDELINES FOR THE PREPARATION OF SYNOPSIS
19.3.1	<p>The synopsis should contain motivation, historical development (Review) and an overview of the research problem, the methodology employed to address it and a summary of the research findings. The size of synopsis shall not exceed 20 pages of typed matter reckoned from the first page to the last page including the list of publications. The sequence in which the synopsis shall be arranged as indicated in section 19.3.2 with separate sheets for references and list of publications.</p>
19.3.2	<p>(a) Cover page (title should not exceed 4 lines)</p> <p>(b) Text divided into suitable headings numbered consecutively</p> <p>(c) References listed in alphabetical order not exceeding 25.</p> <p>(d) List of publications (those accepted/published in Journals. Mention Scopus/WoS/SCI-E/SCI/ SSCI /UGC- CARE at the end)</p> <p>FIVE copies of synopsis shall be prepared on standard A4 size 80GSM bond paper. The synopsis shall be written in English (except for the Tamil Language) in single-sided A4 papers and text shall be typed in Times New Roman/LaTeX with font size 12 and 1.5 line spacing and not exceeding 20 pages. Synopsis shall be in soft binding and the cover page shall be in thick 250 GSM white colour photo sheet paper binding. Annexure -6&7</p>
20.	SUBMISSION OF PH.D. THESIS
20.1	<p>After completing minimum period of research study from the date of registration candidate is permitted to submit the thesis, while the synopsis is permitted to submission three months prior to the minimum period. Every candidate shall submit the Ph.D. thesis embodying the results of the research work carried out by the candidate via Research Section Management portal through the Supervisor or the Convener of the doctoral committee wherever relevant with prescribed fees. The candidate shall also submit five hard copies of the thesis to the research section. The hard and soft copies must exactly be the same.</p>

20.2	The Ph.D. thesis shall be written in English except for the subject of Tamil. If the candidate prefers to submit the synopsis/thesis in Tamil they should obtain prior permission from the University. However, the candidate is encouraged to submit the thesis in Tamil along with an English translation.
20.3	The candidate has to translate the synopsis in Tamil and submit it to Tamil Virtual Academy (தமிழ் இணையக் கல்விக் கழகம்) along with art/technical terms involved in the thesis. The certificate issued by the academy along with a Tamil translation of the synopsis shall be enclosed in the thesis. Annexure-8
20.4	Ph.D. thesis shall carry a certificate as given in Annexure -9 duly signed by the Supervisor and a declaration signed by the candidate as given in the format prescribed in Annexure - 10 .
20.5	It is mandatory for every Ph.D. scholar to submit the thesis within three months from the date of submission of the synopsis. If the candidate fails to submit the thesis within the above period, a period of three months may be given as one-time extension to submit the thesis by paying the prescribed fees. Beyond the period of six months from the date of submission of the synopsis, the candidate has to resubmit the synopsis with prescribed fees.
20.6	Submission of the revised thesis incorporating the suggestions of any examiner shall not be permitted beyond three months.
20.7	GUIDELINES FOR THE PREPARATION OF THESIS
20.7.1	Thesis shall be prepared in (05 copies) standard A4 Size (297 mm x 210 mm) 80GSM bond paper and text shall be typed in Times New Roman / LaTeX with font size 12 and 1.5 line spacing. Thesis should be bound with a soft cover wrapper binding printed on 300 GSM paper.
20.7.2	The number of pages of the thesis shall not exceed 250 pages of printed matter, starting from the front page to the last page of the thesis.
20.7.3	ARRANGEMENT OF THE CONTENTS OF THE THESIS
	The sequence of the Thesis shall be arranged as follows: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Cover Page and Title page 2. Certificate by the Supervisor 3. Declaration by the candidate 4. Plagiarism Certificate 5. Certificate from Tamil Virtual Academy 6. Acknowledgement 7. Table of Contents 8. List of Symbols and Abbreviations

	<p>9. Abstract (Maximum 2 Pages)</p> <p>10. Chapter 1 (Introduction)</p> <p>11. Chapter 2 (Review of Literature)</p> <p>12. Chapter 3 (Materials and Methods)</p> <p>13. Chapter 4 (Results and Discussion)</p> <p>14. Chapter 5 (Conclusion and Summary)</p> <p>15. References listed in alphabetical order</p> <p>16. Copy of Publications (only first page of the papers published).</p>
20.7.4	COVER PAGE AND TITLE PAGE (ANNEXURE-11 - 14)
	<p>a. The cover shall be in blue colour for Science discipline (code number:#D6EBFF) and the text shall be in dark blue letters.</p> <p>b. The cover shall be in pink colour for Arts discipline (code number: #FFBCDA) and the text shall be in dark blue letters.</p>
21.	PLAGIARISM CHECKING: Every Ph.D. thesis shall have a plagiarism certificate as per the format given in Annexure-15 duly signed by the research scholar and research Supervisor attesting to the originality of the work, vouching that there is no plagiarism in the contents of the Ph.D. thesis. The percentage of plagiarism shall not exceed the limit prescribed by the Periyar University.
22.	PANEL OF EXAMINERS
22.1	The panel of examiners shall be submitted by the research Supervisor in sealed envelope at the time of submission of the synopsis. The panel of examiners consisting of academicians working in regular positions with a minimum of 10 years of teaching/research experience and with a good number of research publications. The suggested examiners are expected to be from reputed academic institutions (for foreign examiners in the developed and developing countries) as mentioned in the following sections along with Scopus author preview page (except Tamil Language) and one-page brief bio-data of examiners.
22.2	Four examiners from different countries and one from each institution shall be from outside India out of which at least two examiners must be of non-Indian origin. For Indian Languages (Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Urdu etc.,) four examiners shall be from India but outside Tamil Nadu.
22.3	Four examiners shall be from South India (within 500 Kms from Periyar University) and one from each institution but outside Periyar University territorial jurisdiction. For Indian languages (Tamil, Telugu, Malayalam, Urdu etc.,) four examiners shall be from Tamil Nadu but outside Periyar University's territorial jurisdiction.

22.4	None of the examiners so suggested being an immediate relative to the candidate/Supervisor.
22.5	In case the Vice-Chancellor is not satisfied with the panel of examiners submitted by the Research Supervisor, the Vice-Chancellor can ask for a fresh panel or in consultation with subject experts can nominate examiners.
22.6	A confirmation letter/email needs to be attached while preparing the list of examiners for approval.
23.	ADJUDICATION OF PH.D. THESIS
23.1	The thesis shall be referred by the University for evaluation to a Board of Examiners, consisting of 3 experts; One from outside the country; Second from outside Periyar University territorial jurisdiction and third from Research Supervisor.
23.2	The board of examiners so appointed shall evaluate the thesis and submit a report on the merit of the research work for the award of the Ph.D. degree. Each examiner is expected to give a detailed report on the thesis apart from the filled-in proforma for adjudication of Ph.D. thesis as prescribed in the format given in Annexure-16 .
23.3	The board of examiners shall report on the merit of the research work as "Highly Commended", "Commended" or "Not Commended".
23.4	If all the three examiners unanimously recommend the award of the degree, the candidate will be asked to appear for a public viva-voce examination.
23.5	The candidate should carry out the corrections etc., if any, suggested by the examiners, before the public viva-voce examination. The Supervisor shall furnish a certificate to this effect, together with the list of corrections, to the University before the said examination.
23.6	If one of the external examiners recommends the award of the degree and the other does not recommend the award, the Vice- Chancellor shall refer the thesis to a fourth examiner for evaluation, provided that the fourth examiner so appointed shall be from the same category (i.e., from India or outside India) as the original examiner who evaluated the thesis and has not recommended.
23.7	The fourth examiner will not be provided the report of the previously appointed examiners. If the fourth examiner recommends the award of the degree, the candidate will be asked to appear for a public viva-voce examination. If the fourth examiner also does not recommend the award of the degree, then it shall be considered that the Ph.D. thesis as rejected and the degree will not be awarded to the candidate.

	The remarks made by the examiner in the adjudication report who has not recommended the award will be provided to the Supervisor to enable him/her to advise the candidate to carry out the corrections / additions / alterations / modifications suggested by the examiners, subject to the needs as judged by the Supervisor.
23.8	A candidate whose thesis has not been recommended for the award of the degree may be permitted to re-submit it on a second occasion within one year from the date of declaration of the results with a specific statement from the candidate and the Supervisor about the additional research work conducted and revision done in the thesis.
23.9	If any examiner has made some comments and suggested corrections/modifications/alterations while not recommending the thesis and asking the candidate to resubmit the thesis, the candidate will be informed accordingly through the Supervisor. The resubmitted thesis shall be referred to the same Examiner who originally evaluated the thesis for re-evaluation.
23.10	If two examiners give the recommendation against the award of Ph.D. degree, then the thesis will be rejected.
23.11	No candidate shall be permitted to submit a thesis on more than two occasions.
24.	PUBLIC PH.D VIVA-VOCE EXAMINATION
24.1	A candidate whose thesis has been recommended by the Board of Examiners for the award of Ph.D. degree has to appear for a public Ph.D. Viva-voce examination conducted by the Viva-voce Examination Board consisting of the Supervisor as the Convener and one External Examiner. Normally, the Indian examiner, who evaluated the thesis, shall be appointed as the External Examiner to conduct the public Viva-voce examination for the candidate. Viva-voce examination shall be conducted strictly after a week within 30 days from the date of the letter issued by the Research Coordinator.
24.2	The public Viva-voce examination shall be conducted only in Research Centre, where the candidate has registered.
24.3	The Ph.D. viva-voce examination shall be notified at least 7 days before the date of viva-voce examination and the same shall be intimated to the Research Coordinator at least 7 days prior to the date of viva-voce examination. A copy of the communications shall be placed in the Notice Board of the Department, Institution and Library. The date shall be fixed after receiving the communication from the Research Coordinator and getting acceptance from external examiner(s) to conduct the viva-voce examination and the same shall be communicated to the Research Coordinator.

24.4	Faculty members, research scholars, students of the concerned department and those who are interested in the subject matter may participate in the public viva-voce examination.
24.5	The Supervisor shall convey to the University, the result (Annexure-17) of such public viva-voce examination duly endorsed by the external examiner, together with a list of participants who attended the examination with their signatures, designations and addresses within 7 working days from the date of viva-voce examination.
24.6	The internal examiner/Supervisor shall also submit a consolidated report based on the reports of three examiners who adjudicated the thesis for the award of Ph.D. Degree.
24.7	A candidate who is successful at the public viva-voce examination shall be declared to have qualified for the award of Ph.D. degree.
24.8	A copy of the thesis of the candidate appearing for the public viva-voce examination shall be kept in the department library for the perusal of those interested in the thesis before the conduct of the public viva-voce examination, along with appropriate public notice issued by the Supervisor for the purpose.
24.9	If for any valid reason, the Supervisor is unable to conduct the public viva-voce examination, the Vice-Chancellor may appoint a suitable examiner, in the place of the Research Supervisor.
24.10	A candidate, who submits a satisfactory thesis but is not successful at the public viva-voce examination, may be permitted to take the same on a second occasion, before the same board after three months. If the candidate is not successful even on the second occasion at the public viva-voce examination, the process shall be considered rejected and the degree will not be awarded to the candidate. No candidate shall be permitted to appear for the public viva-voce examination on more than two occasions.
25.	PROVISIONAL CERTIFICATE AND THE DEGREE: The candidate will be issued the award letter and the provisional certificate after successful completion of the Ph.D. viva-voce examination and on approval of the same by the Vice-Chancellor and subsequently to be ratified by the Syndicate. For official purpose, the date of viva-voce shall be treated as the date of award of the Ph.D. degree. The degree will be formally awarded in the ensuing convocation of this University mentioning the mode of study as full-time or part time.
26.	FORMAT OF DEGREE: The Ph.D. degree will be awarded only in the discipline of the subject in which the candidate has registered as notified in Annexure-18 or 19 . In the case of the award of the Ph.D. degree for interdisciplinary

	research, the degree certificate shall bear both the subjects of the candidate's post-graduate degree and the discipline of the department in which the candidate has conducted his doctoral research mentioning them as "Interdisciplinary" and as notified in Annexure -20 .
27.	PUBLICATION OF THESIS: Ph.D. thesis, whether approved or not, shall not be published without the permission of the Syndicate and the Syndicate may grant permission for the publication along with conditions as it may impose. Provided that a candidate may, during the course of his/her research, publish papers in standard research journals, as advised by his/her Supervisor, but the thesis as a whole shall not be published without obtaining permission of the Syndicate mentioned above. Request for such permission should be made within two years from the date of award of Ph.D. degree by the University along with fee payment of Rs. 5000/- (processing fee Rs. 2000/- and refundable caution deposit Rs. 3000/-. The caution deposit shall be returned after receiving one copy of the book). One copy of the published thesis as a Book should be submitted to the Research Section.
28.	SOFTCOPY OF THE THESIS TO UGC: Following the successful completion of the evaluation process and announcements of the award of Ph.D. degree, the University shall submit a soft copy of the Ph.D. thesis to the UGC within thirty days, for hosting the same in INFLIBNET, accessible to all Institutions/Universities.
29.	GRIEVANCE REDRESSAL COMMITTEE: All grievances related to Ph.D. programme shall be referred to a committee consisting of Research Coordinator/Director of Research & Development as Chairman while Dean Research and Chairman of Board of Studies (PG) will act as members. A meeting of this committee will take place once in 3 months or as and when required to look into grievances that could not be dealt with routine administrative procedures.
30.	REVISION OF REGULATIONS
30.1	The University may from time-to-time revise, amend or change the regulations and also the fee structures, if necessary, and such amendments or changes shall come into effect from the date prescribed.
30.2	Not with standing anything contained in this regulations the Vice-Chancellor is empowered to frame suitable regulations and accord permissions, if the situation warrants.

**All the forms related with Ph.D. programme are available in the Periyar University website. Use the link download forms:
<https://www.periyaruniversity.ac.in/Research/phd.php>**

FORMAT FOR INTERDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH PROPOSAL

(This format should be forwarded along with the Minutes of the Departmental Committee)

PARTICULARS OF THE CANDIDATE

1.	Name of the Scholar (In Block Letters)	
2.	The subject in which the candidate has qualified for Master's Degree	
3.	Department / Research Centre from which proposal submitted	
4.	Supervisor Name and Address	
5.	Co-Supervisor Name and Address	
6.	Mode of study (Full-time/ Part-time)	
7.	Occupation/ Designation, in case of PT	
8.	Details of Organization, if employed (a) Name of the organization with address (b) Nature of work (c) Duration of employment	
9.	The proposed other discipline in which the candidate intends to work for Ph.D.	
10.	The proposed department where the candidate intends to work for Ph.D. with address	
11.	The brief write-up of the proposed research (not more than 400 words (attach separate sheet)	
12.	Whether the proposed Ph.D. work is partly, directly or indirectly related to the branch of knowledge in which the candidate has qualified for his/her Master's degree	
13.	Briefly describe in (not more than 50 words) the input from the two disciplines to the proposed area of research for Ph.D.(attach separate sheet)	
14.	Do you have any publications bearing interdisciplinary research on your chosen theme for Ph.D. research? If yes, furnish the details.	

15.	Comments of the Supervisor under whom you propose to do interdisciplinary research	
16.	Signature of the Applicant	
17.	Signature of the Supervisor (Name and seal)	
18.	Signature of the Co-Supervisor (Name and seal)	
19.	Signature of the Head of the Department/Principal of the College	
20.	Date and Place	



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PH.D. DOCTORAL COMMITTEE REPORT – I

[To confirm the Provisional Registration]

Date	Time	Venue

Name of the Research Scholar	
Mode of study (Full-time / Part-time)	
Date of Joining	
Official communications No. and Date (Ph.D. Registration Communication from University)	
Official communications No. and Date (Doctoral Committee approval from University)	
Name of the Research Centre	
Department	
Broad field of research	

Details of Coursework Examination

MONTH & YEAR OF PASSING	AGGREGATE MARK	ELIGIBLE / NOT ELIGIBLE (Candidate secured aggregate Mark 55 % or above are eligible)

REPORT**

Signature of the Doctoral Committee Members with date and seal

Supervisor (Convener)	
Subject Expert (Member)	
Co-Supervisor, if any	
HOD (Member)	

****The committee should highlight the following points in the report:-**

- 1) Performance in the coursework examination
- 2) Depth of knowledge in the relevant subject
- 3) Literature survey
- 4) Presentation by the candidate
- 5) Any other merit achieved by the candidate during this period.

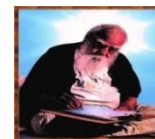
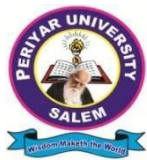
Note: The first Doctoral Committee minutes should be submitted via Research Section Management portal.



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PH.D. DOCTORAL COMMITTEE REPORT - II

Date	Time	Venue
Name of the Research Scholar		
Mode of study (Full-time / Part-time)		
Date of Registration		
Official communications No. and Date (Ph.D. Registration Communication from University)		
Official communications No. and Date (Doctoral Committee approval from University)		
Name of the Research Centre		
Department		
Broad field of research		
REPORT**		
Signature of the Doctoral Committee Members with date and seal		
Supervisor (Convener)		
Subject Expert (Member)		
Co-Supervisor, if any		
HOD (Member)		
<p>**The committee should highlight the following points in the report:-</p> <p>1) Quantum of work for thesis 2) Publication in refereed journal and for Science subjects in SCI/SCI-E journals and for Arts subjects SSCI journals 3) Presentation by the candidate 4) Pre Ph.D. viva report.</p>		
<p>Note: The second Doctoral Committee meeting minutes should be submitted via Research Section Management portal.</p>		



PROGRESS REPORT OF Ph.D. PROGRAMME

Application No.:

Registration No.:

1. Particulars of the Candidate

- a) Name :
- b) Subject :
- c) Department / College where the candidate is registered :
- d) Whether Full Time/Part Time :
- e) Place of work (for part time candidate only) :
- f) Period of the Report :

2. Registration Details

- a) Date of Provisional Registration with University Reference Details :
- b) Has the Provisional Registration been confirmed? :
- If yes, give reference :

3. Particulars of the Supervisor(s)

i) Supervisor

- a) Name :
- b) Designation :
- c) Institution(s) where employed :

ii) Co-Supervisor

- a) Name :
- b) Designation :
- c) Institution(s) where employed :

4. Broad field of Research :

5. Details of Progress

- a) Has the prescribed course work been completed? :
- b) Details of research progress :

c) No. of Research Paper Published in SCOPUS / SCI/ :
SCI-E /SSCI/UGC Care list of Journal
(Enclose first page of the paper and indexing details)

d) No. of papers presented in Seminars/Conferences :
(Enclose certificates)

Date:

Signature of the Candidate

Place:

6. Remarks of the University Deputy Warden (Hostel) :
(Deputy Warden should ensure the payment of hostel dues of full time scholar for University Department only).

Signature of the Deputy Warden

7. Remarks of the Supervisor: Attendance (Full-Time / Part- Time)

(i) No. of working days :

(ii) No. of days present :

(iii) Nature of absence :

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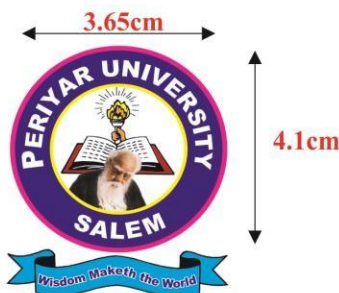
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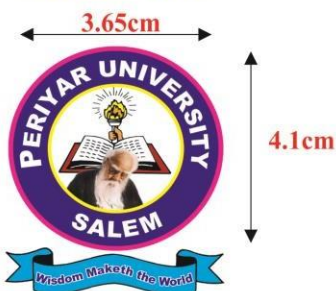
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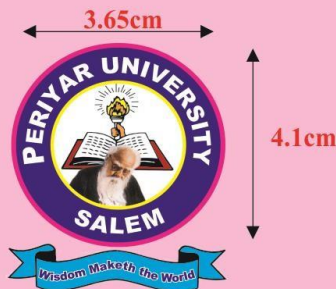
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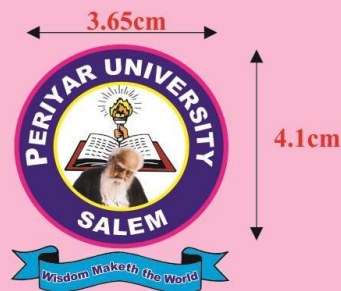
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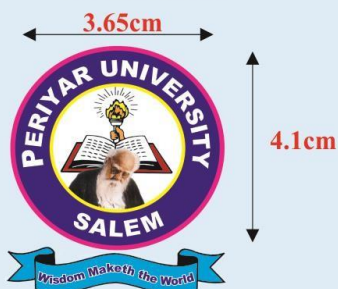
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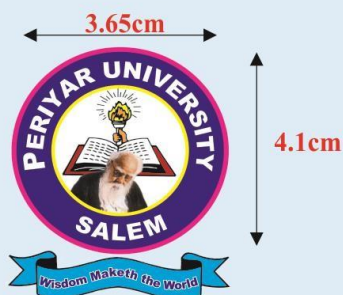
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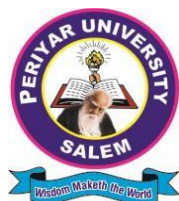
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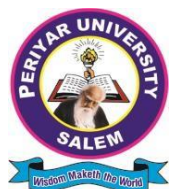
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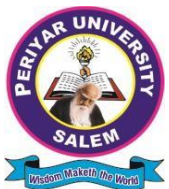
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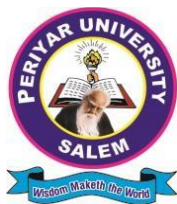


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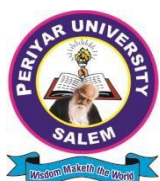
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