

ORDINANCE GOVERNING
Ph.D. & M.Phil. Courses

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SWAMI VIVEKANANDSUBHARTI UNIVERSITY

Ordinance No. V(30A)

Ordinance Relating to the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) & Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) Programmes

Chapter-1 **General**

1. This ordinance may be called the “Ordinance relating to the Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) & Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) Programmes. (as per revised guidelines of UGC - 2016)
2. It shall come into force from session 2016-17.
3. This supersedes the previous Ordinances related to the Doctor Of Philosophy (Ph.D.) programme [Ordinance No. V (30A)] & Master of Philosophy (M.Phil.) programme [Ordinance No. V (44A)].

Chapter-2 **Eligibility**

4. (i) An applicant for registration in the Ph. D programme should have either an M. Phil. degree or a postgraduate Master’s degree with at least 55% marks or an equivalent grade point in the relevant subject from a recognized University.
(ii) Candidates for admission to the M.Phil. programme shall have a Master's degree or a professional degree declared equivalent to the Master’s degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade.
(iii) There shall be relaxation of 5% marks for SC/ST/OBC/Differently-Abled categories candidates based only on the qualifying marks without including the grace mark procedures.
(iii) M.Phil. student of SVSU whose M.Phil. Dissertation has been evaluated and the Viva-voce is pending may be admitted to the Ph.D. programme.
5. An applicant having a post graduate degree in an allied subject may also apply, but the eligibility of such an applicant shall be determined by the Research Degree Committee (RDC) on the recommendation of the Departmental Research Committee (DRC). The decision of the RDC in this regard shall be final.

Chapter-3 **Procedure for Admission**

6. (a) The admission will be done on the basis of Entrance Test conducted by University or on behalf of the University. The number of seats for Ph.D. / M.Phil. shall be decided well in advance and notified in the University website and advertised in the news papers. Entrance Test will carry maximum 100 marks with qualifying marks as 50.
(b) The candidates who have qualified UGC-NET (including JRF)/UGC-CSIR NET (including JRF) /SLET/GATE/teacher fellowship holder or have passed M.Phil. programme may be exempted from the Entrance Test.
(c) Qualified candidates in Entrance Test or otherwise will have to face the Personal Interview. Candidates are required to discuss their research interest/area through a presentation before a duly constituted Departmental Research Committee (DRC) at the time of the Interview.
7. The application for the Entrance Test for M.Phil./Ph.D. programme shall be submitted in the prescribed form along with the prescribed application fee.
a) Qualifying the Ph.D. Entrance Test will not entitle the student for admissions till all formalities are completed and the RDC approves Supervisor for the same.

- b) If the advertised numbers of seats are not filled by the Entrance Test and more than 15% of total seats of M.Phil./Ph.D. in any Department/subject remain vacant or not filled due to any reason, the Entrance Test admission procedure laid down above may be followed again.
8. (i) The interview 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 Institution/College;
 - The proposed area of research can contribute to new/additional knowledge.
- (ii) If an applicant is found eligible and is successful in the Interview, after submission of prescribed fee the selected student can join the course work classes and his/her application shall be forwarded to the Departmental Research Committee (DRC) for consideration with the research proposal. If the proposal is found acceptable. The candidate shall prepare synopsis on the topic for submission to DRC with consultation of the teachers who may guide him/her.
- (iii) The composition of the DRC shall be as follows:
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| a) Head of the Department | | Chairman |
| b) All Professors of the Department | } | Members |
| c) One Reader of the Department | | |
| d) One Lecturer of the Department | | |
- (iv) If the number of teachers in the relevant Department does not exceed three, the DRC shall consist of the following:
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| a) Head of the Department | | Chairman |
| b) All teachers of the Department | } | Members |
| c) A senior teacher of a sister department
nominated by the Vice-Chancellor | | |
- (v) The DRC will evaluate the proposed synopsis and allocate a supervisor for M.Phil./Ph.D. student and if considered necessary in case of inter-disciplinary topics, a co-supervisor will also be provided from other department of SVSU.
- (vi) For Ph.D. programme:- The synopsis together with the appointment of the Supervisor/Co- supervisor will be recommended and submitted to the Research Degree Committee (RDC) for approval.
- (vii) RDC shall be constituted as follows:
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| a) Vice Chancellor | | Chairman |
| b) Pro Vice Chancellor | } | Members |
| c) Subject Expert appointed by V.C. | | |
| d) Dean of the Faculty concerned | | |
| e) Head of the Department concerned | | |
| f) Supervisor and Co-Supervisor (if any)
of the applicant | | |
| g) Registrar | | Secretary |
- (viii) If the RDC is satisfied with the synopsis and the topic of research it will allow the student to be registered as Ph.D. scholar.
- (ix) After the approval of RDC the Supervisor will act as the Convener of DRC for the scholar.

- (x) All communication will be done by the Supervisor with the consent of HOD under intimation to the Head of the Institution.

Chapter-4 **Supervisor and Co-Supervisor**

9. The allocation of the supervisor for a selected student shall be decided by the DRC in a formal manner depending on the number of student per faculty member, the available specialization among the faculty supervisors, and the research interest of the student as indicated during interview by the student. The allotment/allocation of supervisor shall not be left to the individual student or teacher. The following points may be kept into mind while appointment of a supervisor or co-supervisor:-
- (i) Every candidate, admitted to the M.Phil. / Ph.D. Programme shall be assigned to a Research Supervisor approved by the RDC. The RDC may, if necessary, approved an appointment of a Co-Supervisor also.
 - (ii) Any regular Professor of the University with at least five research publications in indexed journals and any regular Associate/Assistant Professor of the University with a Ph.D. degree and at least two research publications in indexed journals may be appointed as Research Supervisor. However first author of an article shall have the value of one (01) credit for publication and second author shall have only half (0.5) credit value. No other author shall get credit for that publication.
 - (iii) Only a full time regular teacher of the concerned University can act as a Supervisor. The external supervisors are not allowed. However, Co-Supervisor can be allowed in inter-disciplinary areas from other departments of the same institute or from other related institutions with the approval of the DRC.
 - (iv) Emeritus Professors/Scientists/Fellows appointed by the University shall be eligible to guide Ph.D. scholars, provided their appointment in the University is for a period of not less than two years.
 - (v) A faculty member who is due to retire within the next three years can take fresh candidate under him provided the DRC is convinced of his/her availability for continued guidance of the candidate.
 - (vi) A teacher, who has retired/resigned from the University service, may continue to be the supervisor, if the research scholar has fulfilled the minimum attendance period requirement and course work.
 - (vii) A Supervisor for the Ph.D. degree in Medical subjects shall have not less than fifteen year's teaching and research experience after obtaining his postgraduate qualification and shall also have not less than ten years postgraduate teaching experience as a faculty member.
 - (viii) The concerned Unit heads will certify and & send the complete details of teachers who are eligible to be Supervisor on joining the institution or otherwise to the Vice-Chancellor for his approval.
 - (ix) Every time when a Supervisor is selected for a candidate by DRC, the proposed supervisor will declare in writing the total number of Ph.D. scholar registered and are active under him/ her of the S.V. Subharti University or any other University (if any).
 - (x) In case of relocation of an M.Phil./Ph.D. woman scholar due to marriage or otherwise, the research data shall be allowed to be transferred to the University to which the scholar intends to relocate provided all the other conditions in these

regulations are followed in letter and spirit and the research work does not pertain to the project secured by the parent institution/ supervisor from any funding agency. The scholar will however give due credit to the parent guide and the institution for the part of research already done.

10. **Quota of Scholars-**

a) For M.Phil. programme:- The maximum number of M.Phil. scholars, who can be supervised by a faculty member at any time, shall be as follows:-

by a Professor	-	3
by an Asso. Professor	-	2
and by a Astd. Professor	-	1

b) For Ph.D. programme:- The maximum number of Ph.D. scholars, who can be supervised by a faculty member at any time, shall be as follows:-

by a Professor	-	8
by an Asso. Professor	-	6
and by a Astd. Professor	-	4

For this purpose a candidate whose viva-voce exam is not over, will be still counted as registered scholar.

c) In case of a dispute between a candidate and his guide:- the Committee consisting of the following shall examine the matter and report to the Vice-Chancellor, whose decision shall be final:-

- i] Dean of the concerned faculty. [Convener]
- ii] Nominee of the Vice - Chancellor
- iii] The Head, place of research

(If the complaint is against the Head / the Dean, he / she shall not participate in the proceedings of the meeting. In that case, additional member/s may be appointed by the Vice - Chancellor.) The report shall include, among other things, specific recommendations.

11. **Appointment of a New Supervisor**

- (i) A supervisor, who proceeds on leave for a period of more than 12 months, or proceeds on leave for a period of less than 12 months but later extends it beyond 12 months, shall cease to be the supervisor, provided that if the scholar submits the abstract of the thesis or the thesis before the supervisor proceeds on leave, the existing supervisor shall continue to be the supervisor.
- (ii) If the supervisor dies or his service is terminated/retires/resigns (leaves the job), he/she shall cease to be the supervisor unless permitted by the Vice Chancellor.
- (iii) In all the cases, where the existing supervisor ceases to be the supervisor, the DRC shall appoint the co-supervisor (if any), as the supervisor of the candidate, provided the co-supervisor is from the same discipline. If there is no co-supervisor or the co-supervisor is from a different discipline, the DRC shall appoint a new supervisor.
- (iv) However, if any teacher leaves/resigns the job of this University at any stage during the period of a student doing his/her Ph.D. under his/her Guidance then the students will be allotted a new Supervisor or Co-Supervisor as Supervisor on

the request of scholar to Vice Chancellor to complete his/her Ph.D. work.

Chapter-5 **Course Work**

- 12 a) A student, admitted for the M.Phil. / Ph.D. programme shall be required to do the Course work prescribed by the department during the initial one or two semesters. The course work shall be treated as prerequisite for M.Phil. / Ph.D. preparation. A minimum of four credits shall be assigned to one or more courses on Research Methodology which could cover areas such as quantitative methods, computer applications, research ethics and review of published research in the relevant field, training, field work, etc. Other courses shall be advanced level courses preparing the students for M.Phil./Ph.D. degree.
- b) The Department where the scholar pursues his/her research shall prescribe the course(s) to him/her based on the recommendations of the DRC, of the research scholar.
- b) The credit assigned to the M.Phil./Ph.D. course work shall be a minimum of 08 credits and a maximum of 16 credits.
- c) A M.Phil./Ph.D. scholar has to obtain a minimum of 55% of marks or its equivalent grade in the course work in order to be eligible to continue in the programme and submit the dissertation/thesis.
- d) Grades in the course work, including research methodology courses shall be finalized after a combined assessment by the COE and the DRC and the final grades shall be communicated to the Department and student.
- e) Candidates already holding M. Phil. degree and admitted to the Ph.D. programme, or those who have already completed the course work in M.Phil. programme, may be exempted by the Department from the Ph.D. course work. All other candidates admitted to the Ph.D. programme shall be required to complete the Ph.D. course work prescribed by the Department.

Chapter-6 **Submission of Dissertation / Thesis**

- 13 (i) M.Phil. programme shall be for a minimum duration of three (3) consecutive semesters / one & half year and a maximum of four (4) consecutive semesters / two years. The overall minimum credit requirement (including credit for the course work) for the award of M.Phil. degree shall not be less than 24 credits.
- (ii) Ph.D. programme shall be for a minimum duration of three years, including course work and a maximum of six years.
- (iii) All the scholars are required to submit a Dissertation/thesis after completion of his/her research work. This can be done after the expiry of the minimum period required for the M.Phil./Ph.D. programme from the date of registration.
- (ii) An extension of one year for M.Phil. and two years for Ph.D. may be granted by the Vice-Chancellor on the recommendation of the supervisor in special circumstances on cogent reasons.
- (iii) If a scholar fails to submit the dissertation/thesis within the stipulated period or within the extended period, if allowed, the registration will stand automatically cancelled.
- (iv) The women candidates and Persons with Disability (more than 40% disability) may be allowed a relaxation of one year for M.Phil. and two years for Ph.D. in

- the maximum duration. In addition, the women candidates may be provided Maternity Leave/Child Care Leave once in the entire duration of M.Phil./Ph.D. for up to 240 days.
14. (i) A research scholar shall appear before the DRC once in six months to make a presentation of the progress of his/her work for evaluation and further guidance. The six monthly progress reports shall be submitted by the DRC to the University with a copy to the research scholar (**Annexure - 7**).
 - (ii) In case the progress of the research scholar is unsatisfactory, the DRC shall record the reasons for the same and suggest corrective measures. If the research scholar fails to implement these corrective measures, the DRC may recommend to the University with specific reasons for cancellation of the registration of the research scholar.
 15. If found necessary, part of research work may be carried out by doctoral candidates in sister departments/institutes either within or outside the University for which due credit/attendance will be given to them.
 16. Prior to the submission of the dissertation/thesis, the scholar shall make a presentation in the Department before the DRC of the Institution concerned which shall also be open to all faculty members and other research scholars. The feedback and comments obtained from them may be suitably incorporated into the draft dissertation/thesis in consultation with the DRC. A proper notice will be circulated well in advance to all concerned for the same with the permission of HOD.
 17. The scholar is required to submit the thesis within six months from the date of his/her pre-submission seminar, failing which he/she shall be required to make a fresh presentation of a pre-submission seminar along with the thesis.
 18. A written certificate is to be submitted with the thesis from the Supervisor, and Co-Supervisor if any, testifying that the thesis is the original work of the scholar, conducted under his/her supervision.
 19. The scholar shall submit the thesis & synopsis in four hard copies and one soft copy (in C.D) In Hindi or English or any other language approved by the DRC to the University for evaluation as per format given in **Annexure -1**.
 - a) Four hard copies and one soft copy (in a C.D.) of the abstract of the thesis describing the salient features of the scholar's investigation.
 - b) A declaration by the scholar as per the format given in **Annexure -2**
 - c) Pre-submission seminar completion certificate as per the format given in **Annexure-3**
 - d) A copyright transfer certificate as per the format given in **Annexure- 4**.
 - e) Anti-Plagiarism report (in hard and soft copy) verified by the Supervisor & Co-supervisor (if any).
 - f) Plagiarism Certificates **Annexure - 8 to Annexure - 11**.
 20. M.Phil. scholars shall present at least one (1) research paper in a conference/seminar and Ph.D. scholars must publish at least one (1) research paper in indexed journal and make two paper presentations in conferences/seminars before the submission of the dissertation/thesis for adjudication, and produce evidence for the same in the form of presentation certificates and/or reprints.
 21. No part of the thesis can be or should have been submitted copied from diploma or thesis of other University submitted by him.
 22. A thesis once submitted cannot be re-submitted, unless the examiner recommends

revision of the thesis.

Chapter-7

Examination of Thesis

- 23 (i) All copies of thesis shall be forwarded to the Registrar by Supervisor with a certificate of pre-submission seminar conducted in the department with attendance sheet in original with the recommendation of the Head of the department.
- (ii) In case of a research scholar who has done any part of his work in another institution, the panel of examiners shall not include any person working in that institution.
24. **Board of Examiners:**
- (i) The Ph.D. thesis submitted by a research scholar shall be evaluated by his/her Research Supervisor and at least two external examiners, who are not in the employment of the University, of whom one examiner may be from outside the country.
- (ii) The M.Phil. Dissertation submitted by a research scholar shall be evaluated by his/her Research Supervisor and at least one external examiner who is not in the employment of the Institution/College.
- (iii) Hon'ble Vice Chancellor will approve the name of External Examiner(s) from the panel of examiners and name(s) will be sent to Controller of Examination for information and necessary action.
25. The Controller of Examinations shall send a copy of the abstract of thesis to the examiners for securing acceptance for the examiner-ship. If no confirmation is received from the examiner within one month, his/her appointment shall be cancelled and a new examiner shall be appointed from the existing panel of examiners.
26. **Thesis Evaluation:**
- (i) On receipt of the acceptance from the Examiner, the Controller of Examinations shall forward the copy of the dissertation/thesis and synopsis to him/her and take necessary action to get the report of the Examiner expeditiously.
- (ii) The examiners shall be requested to submit their individual reports within two months of the receipt of the thesis.
- (iii) In case, an examiner does not send his/her report within the specified period, a reminder shall be sent to him/her. This shall be followed by a second reminder after a fortnight.
- (iv) If the report is not received from the Examiners even after fifteen days of receiving reminders, his/her examiner-ship shall be cancelled and the thesis will be recalled. Thereafter a new examiner shall be appointed from the existing panel of examiners.
- (v) The examiners shall examine the thesis specifically with a view to judge whether the thesis is a piece of research work characterized by:-
- a) Discovery of new facts, or
 - b) A fresh approach towards interpretation of facts or theories, or
 - c) A distinct advancement in the subject.
- (vi) The examiner shall be required to give his/her opinion about the scholar's ability to examine issues critically and thereby arriving at a sound judgment.

27. **Examiner's Report:**

- (i) The examiners shall submit their report in the prescribed format as given in **Annexure-5** making one of the following recommendations:
 - a) The Dissertation/thesis be accepted for award of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degree.
 - b) The Dissertation/thesis be accepted for award of M.Phil./Ph.D. degree, subject to the candidate giving satisfactory answers at the time of Viva-Voce, to the specific queries, raised in the report.
 - c) The Dissertation/thesis in the present form cannot be accepted for award of the M.Phil./Ph.D. degree and the candidate be advised to revise the Dissertation/thesis on the lines indicated in the report and resubmit.
 - d) The Dissertation/thesis be rejected.
- (ii) The copy of the Dissertation/thesis shall be returned by the examiners along with the report to expedite the remuneration in time.
- (iii) For Ph.D. Programme:-
 - a) If both External Examiners recommend acceptance of the thesis for award of Ph.D. degree, the thesis shall be accepted.
 - b) If both External Examiners recommend rejection of the thesis, it shall be rejected.
 - c) If the examiners rise some queries/seek clarification, the scholar shall be required to give satisfactory answers to the queries at the time of Viva-Voce.
 - d) If one of the evaluation reports of the External Examiner is unsatisfactory and does not recommend *viva-voce*, the Institution shall send the thesis to another External Examiner out of the approved panel of examiners. If the report of the latest examiner is also unsatisfactory, the thesis shall be rejected and the research scholar shall be declared ineligible for the award of the degree.
- (iv) For M.Phil. Programme:-
 - a) If External Examiner recommend acceptance of the Dissertation for award of M.Phil. degree, the Dissertation shall be accepted.
 - b) If the examiner rises some queries/seek clarification, the scholar shall be required to give satisfactory answers to the queries at the time of Viva-Voce.
 - c) If the evaluation report of the External Examiner is unsatisfactory and does not recommend *viva-voce*, the Institution shall send the dissertation to another External Examiner out of the approved panel of examiners. If the report of the latest examiner is also unsatisfactory, the dissertation shall be rejected and the research scholar shall be declared ineligible for the award of the degree.
- (v) In case of an ambiguous recommendation by any examiner, the Controller of Examinations shall approach the examiner concerned for a clear recommendation. If a clear recommendation is not received, the matter shall be submitted to the Vice-Chancellor for decision.
- (vi) The Controller of Examinations shall intimate the recommendations of the examiners to the Supervisor and the co-supervisor (if any) for information and necessary action, if any.
- (vii) Notwithstanding the provisions of this clause, the Vice Chancellor may make

appropriate modifications in the evaluation process in a deserving case with a view to protect a work of classified nature involving national security and sovereignty and/or to protect the intellectual property rights of the scholar, the Supervisor and the University.

Chapter-8

Viva-Voce

28. (i) The Vice-Chancellor shall appoint the Board of Examiners in which there will be one External Examiner from the panel of Examiners who has already evaluated the thesis and second examiner will be the Supervisor of candidate who will act as Internal Examiner for conducting the Viva-Voce Examination.
- (ii) The Supervisor shall fix the date for the Viva-Voce with the consent of External Examiner and HOD. The Viva Voce should normally be conducted maximum within one months of the acceptance of the dissertation/thesis.
- (iii) The public *viva-voce* of the research scholar to defend the dissertation/thesis shall be conducted only if the evaluation report(s) of the external examiner(s) on the dissertation/thesis is/are satisfactory and include a specific recommendation for conducting the *viva-voce* examination,
- (iv) The *viva-voce* examination, based among other things, on the critiques given in the evaluation report, shall be conducted by the Research Supervisor and at least one of the two external examiners, and shall be open to be attended by Members of the Departmental Research Committee (DRC), all faculty members of the Department, other research scholars and other interested experts/researchers.
- (v) There shall be an open Viva-Voce examination. The candidate shall give a summary of the thesis and the work done before an audience consisting of the above Board of Viva-Voce Examiners duly appointed by the Vice-Chancellor. The faculty members and other persons present during the Viva-Voce will not be allowed to express their opinion about the capability of the candidate.
- (vi) The Board of Viva-voce Examiners shall submit the report of the Open Viva-Voce Examination (**Annexure-6**) immediately after the examination in a sealed cover to the Registrar along with a certificate from the Head of the Department that a circular/notice was issued well in advance for inviting all concerned to attend it on fixed date and time as specified in letter.
- (vii) The Viva-voce Examiners shall submit a comprehensive report on the performance of the candidate during Viva-Voce examination and shall make one of the following recommendations:-
- a) That the degree of M.Phil. / Ph.D. be awarded.
- b) That the candidate be re-examined after correction in a second Viva-Voce.
- (viii) If the Examiners recommend a change/improvement or required information the second Viva-Voce shall be conducted normally after a period of one month but within six months from the date of the first Viva-Voce.

Chapter – 9

Award Of Degree

29. In case the Board of Examiners recommends that M.Phil. degree be awarded, the reports of the Viva Voce shall be placed before the Vice-Chancellor for the

- approval.
- 30 (i) In case the Board of Examiners recommends that Ph.D. degree be awarded, the reports of the Viva Voce shall be placed before the Vice-Chancellor for the approval of Executive Council. The Executive Council may approve the award of the Ph.D. degree.
- (ii) After the approval by the Executive Council, a provisional degree shall be issued to the scholar by the Controller of Examinations on getting an application from the scholar in the prescribed form and on payment of the prescribed fee and no dues certificate.
31. The year of award of the M.Phil./Ph.D. degree shall be the same as the year of Viva-voce examination on the basis of which the M.Phil./Ph.D. degree has been awarded.
32. The Ph.D. degree shall mention the title of the thesis, the Faculty of research and the Department in which the candidate was admitted for the Ph.D. programme.
33. After a thesis is approved for award of Ph. D. degree, it can be permitted to be published. In case the scholar is permitted to get the thesis published in full or in part, he/she will have to state on the title page that the publication was based on the thesis which was approved for award of Ph. D. degree by Swami Vivekanand Subharti University.

Chapter – 10 **Miscellaneous**

34. The admission to Ph. D. programme may be cancelled by the Dean/HOD on the recommendation of Supervisor after the approval of Vice-Chancellor on following conditions:
- a) If the scholar remains absent for a continuous period of four weeks without prior information/sanction of leave in case where the scholar is on the roll of the university as research scholar and getting any stipend/fellowship for the same.
 - b) If two consecutive progress reports of the scholar are found unsatisfactory.
 - c) If the scholar fails to submit the thesis within the maximum stipulated time as provided in this Ordinance and do not apply for extension as per rule. The supervisor is not satisfied with his work.
 - d) If the scholar wishes to withdraw from the Ph. D. programme and his/her request to that effect is duly recommended by the Supervisor be sent to the Vice Chancellor for his approval.
 - e) If the scholar is found involved in an act of misconduct and/or indiscipline and the cancellation of his/her admission is recommended by the competent authority.
35. (i) A scholar admitted to the Ph. D. programme may be permitted, to withdraw temporarily from the programme for any one of the following reasons:
- a) On medical grounds due to prolonged illness, as evidenced by a medical certificate issued by the attending doctor.
 - b) Due to the death of the parents/guardians/spouse/child of the scholar.
 - c) On securing a professional employment, provided the scholar has

- completed the course work.
- d) On fulfilling the minimum period requirement for the submission of the thesis in case of a sponsored candidate who wishes to revert to his/her parent organization.
- (ii) During the period of temporary withdrawal, the candidate will not be required to pay any fee.
- (iii) The period of temporary withdrawal shall be excluded while calculating the maximum period allowed for the Ph. D. Programme.
36. If any doubt or dispute arises in respect of any of the provisions of this Ordinance, the matter shall be referred to the Vice-Chancellor, whose decision in this regard shall be final.
37. If at any time after the award of the Ph.D. degree, any irregularity or flaw is detected in the award of the degree, or the scholar is suspected of a misconduct so as to render him/her unworthy of holding the awarded degree, the Vice Chancellor shall constitute a Committee which will inquire into the matter and submit its findings after giving adequate opportunity to all concerned to have their say. The Vice Chancellor shall consider the report and pass an appropriate reasoned order thereon. If any irregularity or flaw is established beyond doubt in the award of the degree or the scholar is found guilty of any misconduct, the Vice Chancellor may order for withdrawal of the degree and/or for taking any other action as may deem appropriate. The scholar can prefer an appeal to the Hon'ble Chancellor against the order of the Vice Chancellor within a month of issue of the order. The decision of the Hon'ble Chancellor in the matter shall be final.

Chapter – 11 **Power to Modify**

38. In the event of any emergent situation, if some deviation is considered necessary, the Vice-Chancellor is authorised to modify the ordinance. Subject to subsequent ratification by the Executive Council.

Chapter – 12 **Depository with INFLIBNET**

39. Following the successful completion of the evaluation process and before the announcement of the award of the Ph.D. degree(s), the Institution concerned shall submit an electronic copy of the Ph. D. thesis to the INFLIBNET, for hosting the same so as to make it accessible to all Institutions/Colleges.
40. Prior to the actual award of the degree, the degree-awarding Institution shall issue a provisional Certificate to the effect that the Degree has been awarded in accordance with the provisions of these UGC Regulations, 2016.

Annexure-1
(See Clause 19)

FORMAT OF THE Ph.D. THESIS

1. The following format may be adopted a Ph.D. thesis:
 - i. Cover Page
 - ii. Inner cover page
 - iii. Undertaking from the candidate
 - iv. Self declaration certificate from the candidate and certificate from the Supervisor/Co-Supervisor/Head of the Department (**Annexure-2**)
 - v. Certificate for the completion of course work and successful completion of the pre-submission seminar (**Annexure-3**)
 - vi. A copyright transfer certificate (**Annexure-4**)
 - vii. Acknowledgements
 - viii. Contents
 - ix. List of symbols, figures and tables, if any
 - x. Preface of the thesis
 - xi. Introduction
 - xii. Literature review
 - xiii. Chapters covering the work of the candidate
 - xiv. Conclusion
 - xv. References
 - xvi. Appendices
 - xvii. List of papers communicated/accepted/published/presented.
 - xviii. Copies of acceptance letter in case papers are accepted for publication.
 - xix. Copies of manuscripts/reprints of the papers accepted/published.
 - xx. A personal profile not exceeding one page with photograph of the candidate.
2. References should be arranged chronologically in alphabetical order. The typical style of writing references is given below.
 - (a) For a single author
Surname, Initials, Title of the Articles, Journal Name, Volume, Pages, Year.
 - (b) For two authors
Surname, Initials and Surname, Initials, Title of the Articles, Journal Name, Volume, Pages, Year.
 - (c) For more than two authors
Surname, Initials and Surname, Initials ...and Surname, Initials, Title of the Articles, Journal Name, Volume, Pages, Year.
3. While citing references in the text, the following format should be followed.

Surname (year) or Surname et al (year)
4. The name of the journals should be typed as per the style followed by any standard international organization/abstracting journal such as IEEE/Chemical Abstracts/Current Contents/Physics Abstracts, etc.
5. Plagiarism report should be submitted in both hard & soft copy duly endorsed by the Supervisor with **Annexures – 8, 9, 10 & 11.**

Annexure-2
(See Clause 19)

CANDIDATE'S DECLARATION

I..... certify that the work embodied in this Ph.D. thesis is my own bonafide work carried out by me under the supervision of.....and co-supervision of..... for a period of.....years.....months from.....to.....at Swami Vivekanand Subharti University. The matter embodied in this Ph.D. thesis has not been submitted for the award of any other degree/diploma.

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