



## **RAJIV GANDHI NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF LAW, PUNJAB**

**(Established under Punjab Act No. 12 of 2006)**

**(Accredited with 'A' Grade by NAAC)**

### **PROCEEDING**

**Proceedings** of the meeting of the Academic Council held on 25<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Hall, Administrative Block of RGNUL Campus, Patiala.

**The following members were present :**

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| 1. Professor (Dr.) Paramjit S. Jaswal<br>Vice-Chancellor,<br>RGNUL, Patiala  | Chairman                         |
| 2. Mr. Partap Singh Advocate<br>Nominee of the Chairman,<br>BCI, New Delhi   | Member                           |
| 3. Professor (Dr.) Meena Sehgal<br>Former Chairperson, Department of Psychology,<br>Panjab University Campus, Chandigarh   | Member                           |
| 4. Professor (Dr.) Kamaljeet Kaur<br>Principal, School of Law, CT University, Ludhiana,<br>Nominee of the Chairman, State Bar Council Punjab &<br>Haryana, Chandigarh. | Member                           |
| 5. Professor (Dr.) Harpreet Kaur<br>Professor of Law and Director,<br>Centre for Corporate Law and Governance,<br>National Law University, New Delhi                   | Member<br>(Joined through Skype) |
| 6. Professor (Dr.) Anand Pawar<br>Professor of Law,<br>RGNUL, Patiala  | Member                           |
| 7. Dr. Sharanjit<br>Associate Professor of Law,<br>RGNUL, Patiala  | Member                           |
| 8. Dr. Jasleen Kewlani<br>Assistant Professor of Law,<br>RGNUL, Patiala  | Member                           |
| 9. Professor (Dr.) Naresh Kumar Vats<br>Registrar,<br>RGNUL, Patiala.  | Secretary                        |

Professor (Dr.) Paramjit S. Jaswal, Vice-Chancellor (Chairperson) welcomed the members of the Academic Council and thanked them for taking out valuable time from their busy schedule to attend the meeting for all-round growth and development of this University.

- ITEM (1) To confirm of the proceedings of the previous meeting of the Academic Council held on 25.07.2019 (Annexure-1)

The Vice-Chancellor read out the Proceedings and Action Taken Report of the previous meeting of the Academic Council which was held on 25.07.2019.

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council perused the proceedings and Action Taken Report of the previous meeting of the Academic Council held on 25.07.2019 (Annexure-1) and unanimously resolved to approve the same.*

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- ITEM (2) To consider the UGC letter D.O. No. F.9-10/2018 (CPP-II) dated 01.10.2019 (Annexure-2) regarding two credits to the Interns under Swachh Bharat Summer Internship Programme. The following 05 students of the RGNUL who undertook the 100 hours Swachh Bharat Internship are eligible for 02 credits of any elective subject with the Choice Based Credit System.

1. Ms. Vijaya Singh
2. Mr. Aditya Kashyap
3. Mr. Mudit Nagpal
4. Mr. Sachin Vats
5. Mr. Animesh Rajpurohit

The Vice-Chancellor read out that as per the Letter No. 9-10/2018 (CPP-11) dated 08.05.2018 of the UGC, New Delhi, the students who undertook the 100 hours Swachh Bharat Internship are eligible for 02 credits of any elective subject with the Choice Based Credit System. Five students of RGNUL have successfully completed the summer internship under the programme in 2018, are as under :

1. Ms. Vijaya Singh
2. Mr. Aditya Kashyap
3. Mr. Mudit Nagpal
4. Mr. Sachin Vats
5. Mr. Animesh Rajpurohit

As RGNUL, Punjab does not award two credits to any elective paper according to the current study scheme, it is hereby proposed that the above mentioned students may be allowed to submit a project report on the topic of internship undertaken as part of the project submission (Paper-V) in the 5<sup>th</sup> year i.e. in the next academic session for the students. This will substitute the two credits for the written part (20 marks) of the paper. This will enable the students to avail the opportunity provided by UGC, New Delhi.

**Decision :**

*After thoughtful consideration of the UGC letter D.O. No. F.9-10/2018 (CPP-II) dated 01.10.2019 (Annexure-2) regarding two credits to the Interns under Swachh Bharat Summer Internship Programme, the Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council unanimously resolved to approve that the following 05 students of the RGNUL, who undertook the 100 hours Swachh Bharat Internship, are eligible for 02 credits of any elective subject with the Choice Based Credit System and approved that they be allowed to submit a project report on the topic of internship undertaken as part of the project submission (Paper V) in the fifth year i.e. the next academic session for the students. This will substitute two credits for the written part (20 marks) of the paper. It was further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

1. Ms. Vijaya Singh



2. Mr. Aditya Kashyap
3. Mr. Mudit Nagpal
4. Mr. Sachin Vats
5. Mr. Animesh Rajpurohit

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ITEM (3) To consider the letter of National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language (NCPUL) F. No. 11-1/Law Panel/2018 NCPUL dated 31.10.2019 (Annexure-3), regarding of introduction Urdu Classes in Law Course at Law College/University, since Urdu terms are widely used in Legal Procedure.

The Vice-Chancellor read out that as per NCPUL Letter F. No. 11-1/Law Panel/2018 NCPUL dated 31.10.2019, National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language has been set up as an autonomous Council under Ministry of Human Resource Development, Deptt., of Higher Education, Govt. of India. The Council is responsible to advise government of India on issues connected with Urdu language and having bearing on education which may be referred to it. The Council is also responsible for taking appropriate action for making available in Urdu language the knowledge of scientific and technological development as well as knowledge of ideas evolved in the modern context.

In pursuance of the above objectives, the Council has also published high quality books in Urdu in Law. The Council has desired that the Law College should introduce Urdu Classes in Law Courses, since Urdu terms are widely used in Legal Procedure.

**Decision :**

*After thoughtful consideration and detailed discussion of the letter of National Council for Promotion of Urdu Language (NCPUL) F. No. 11-1/Law Panel/2018 NCPUL dated 31.10.2019 (Annexure-3), the that Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council unanimously resolved that in National Law Universities Student come from all over the country and in most of the States, Urdu terms are not used. Therefore, it is not advisable to introduce Urdu in RGNUL and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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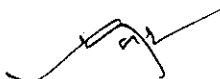
ITEM (4) To consider the Notification of Ministry of Human Resource Development F. No. 17-03/2019-TEL dated 02.12.2019, regarding UGC (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through SWAYAM) Regulation 2016 dated 19.07.2016, issued by UGC on Credit transfer (Annexure-4)

The Vice-Chancellor read out that the MHRD has issued a notification F. No. 17-03/2019-TEL dated 02.12.2019 and directed that the UGC notification (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through SWAYAM) Regulation 2016 dated 19.07.2019 issued by UGC on credit transfer be followed. As per regulation 4(2), the course list of Jan., 2020 semester is attached herewith as Annexure-5. Accordingly, all institutions shall within 4 weeks from the date of notification by SWAYAM, consider through their Competent Authority the online learning courses being offered through SWAYAM Platform and keeping in view their academic requirements, decide upon the courses which it shall permit for Credit Transfer up to 20% credit through SWAYAM in Platform.

Further details regarding enrolment, start/end date of the course, exam etc., can be accessed by going through [swayam.gov.in](http://swayam.gov.in). This may be publicized to the students.

**Decision :**

*After thoughtful consideration and detailed discussion of the Notification of Ministry of Human Resource Development F. No. 17-03/2019-TEL dated 02.12.2019, regarding UGC (Credit Framework for Online Learning Courses through SWAYAM) Regulation 2016 dated*



19.07.2016, issued by UGC on Credit transfer (Annexure-4), the Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council unanimously resolved to approve the same and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.

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- ITEM (5) To consider and approve the recommendations of the Doctoral Committee meeting held on 24.12.2019 (Annexure-6) for award of LL.D. Degree to the scholar Dr. Lakhwinder Singh.

The Vice-Chancellor read out that the Doctoral committee in its meetings held on 24.12.2019 considered the reports of external examiners of the thesis submitted by Dr. Lakhwinder Singh. The Doctoral Committee meeting was chaired by Prof. Veer Singh as worthy Vice-Chancellor recused himself, being supervisor of the candidate. The Doctoral Committee unanimously recommended for the award of LL.D. Degree to the scholar.

Submitted for consideration and approval of the Academic/Executive Council to issue the notification for award of LL.D. Degree to the scholar Dr. Lakhwinder Singh.

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council perused the recommendations of the Doctoral Committee meeting held on 24.12.2019 (Annexure-6) and unanimously approved to confer the LL.D. Degree to the scholar Dr. Lakhwinder Singh in the next Convocation and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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- ITEM (6) To consider an application for enrollment in Post-Doctorate Research (LL.D. Degree) received email dated August 17, 2019 to Prof. (Dr.) Dinabandhu Mukhopadhyay, 18A, Chandra Kumar Roy Lane, Kolkata -700036, West Bengal, India. He has done his Ph.D. from Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab on the topic "Corporate Social Responsibility: An Analytical Study of Global and Indian Perspectives and Practices".

The Vice-Chancellor read out that the Applicant Prof. (Dr.) Dinabandhu Mukhopadhyay, 18A, Chandra Kumar Roy Lane, Kolkata -700036, West Bengal, India, has requested for enrolment for Post-Doctoral Program in Law (LL.D. Degree in Law). He has requested for enrolment in Post-Doctoral Research at RGNUL on the topic, "Effectiveness of Corporate Voluntary Codes of Conduct for Preventing Human Trafficking – A Corporate Social Responsibility Approach" under the able guidance and supervision of Professor (Dr.) Paramjit S. Jaswal, Vice-Chancellor, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab. The proposal of the above said topic is attached herewith as Annexure-7.

In view of the above, the candidature of Prof. (Dr.) Dinabandhu Mukhopadhyay, may be considered for enrolment for the Post-Doctoral Research in Law (LL.D. Degree).

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council examined the application for enrollment in Post-Doctorate Research in Law (LL.D. Degree) received through email dated August 17, 2019 from Prof. (Dr.) Dinabandhu Mukhopadhyay, 18A, Chandra Kumar Roy Lane, Kolkata -700036, West Bengal, India, who has done his Ph.D. from Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab on the topic "Corporate Social Responsibility: An Analytical Study of Global and Indian Perspectives and Practices" and unanimously resolved to approve his candidature for enrollment in Post-Doctorate Research (LL.D. Degree) under the supervision of Prof. Paramjit S. Jaswal,*



*Vice-Chancellor, RGNUL. It was further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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- ITEM (7) To consider an application for enrollment in Post-Doctorate Research (LL.D. Degree) received on 12.09.2019 from (Dr.) Ivneet Kaur Walla, Assistant Professor of Law, RGNUL, Punjab. She has done her Ph.D. from Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab on the topic "Revamping the Information Technology Laws in India Amidst Emerging Issues in Cyberspace".

The Vice-Chancellor read out that the Applicant (Dr.) Ivneet Kaur Walla, Assistant Professor of Law, RGNUL, Punjab, has requested for enrolment in Post-Doctoral Research in Law (LL.D. Degree) at RGNUL on the topic, "Revamping the Information Technology Laws in India Amidst Emerging Issues in Cyberspace" under the able guidance and supervision of Professor (Dr.) Naresh Kumar Vats, Professor of Law, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab. The proposal of the above said topic is attached herewith as **Annexure-8**.

In view of the above, the candidature of (Dr.) Ivneet Kaur Walla, may be considered for enrolment for the Post-Doctoral Research in Law (LL.D. Degree).

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council examined the application for enrollment in Post-Doctorate Research in Law (LL.D. Degree) received on 12.09.2019 from (Dr.) Ivneet Kaur Walla, Assistant Professor of Law, RGNUL, Punjab, who has done her Ph.D. from Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab on the topic "Revamping the Information Technology Laws in India Amidst Emerging Issues in Cyberspace" and unanimously resolved to approve her candidature for enrollment in Post-Doctorate Research (LL.D. Degree) under the supervision of Prof. Naresh Kumar Vats, Registrar, RGNUL. It was further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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- ITEM (8) To consider the application of Ms. Taghbir Kaur, student of Ph.D. Course, to grant extension of 02 months to submit synopsis, on ground of delivery of a child by cesarean on 14.06.2019.

The Vice-Chancellor read out that Ms. Teghbir Kaur has been enrolled in Ph.D. (Social Science) Programme on 03.08.2019 and Dr. Shveta Dhaliwal, Assistant Prof. of Political Science has been appointed as her supervisor. The last date for submission of research proposal synopsis for the purpose of registration to Ph.D. was 30.09.2019. The university has issued her letter to submit her Ph.D. synopsis on or before 30.09.2019 (**Annexure-9**). She has requested in her application that as she has undergone delivery of a child by cesarean on 14.09.2019 and it is not be possible for her to submit research proposal within the schedule and requested for the extension. She has submitted medical certificate in this behalf (available at **Annexure-10**).

**Decision :**

*After thoughtful consideration and detailed discussion on the application of Ms. Taghbir Kaur, student of Ph.D. Course, to grant extension of 02 months to submit synopsis, on ground of delivery of a child by cesarean on 14.06.2019, the Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council unanimously resolved to approve to grant extension of 02 months to submit her synopsis and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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ITEM (9)

To consider the request for approval of the Extension of Six Months for Submission of Thesis of Ms. Shikha Dewan. Ms. Shikha Dewan, Ph.D. Researcher, had been registered for Ph.D. Programme at RGNUL with effect from 20.04.2013. She has already consumed three extension of six months. Now, she has submitted an application for fourth i.e. the last extension of six months till 19.04.2020, for the purpose of completing her Ph.D. research work (Annexure-11).

The Vice-Chancellor read out that Ms. Shikha Dewan, Ph.D. Researcher, had been registered for the Ph.D. Programme at RGNUL on 20.04.2013, under the learned supervision of Professor (Dr.) G.I.S. Sandhu (Retd.) (Supervisor) on the Research Topic "CORPORATE MERGERS AND ACQUISITIONS IN INDIA: AN ANALYTICAL STUDY WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO COMPETITION ACT, 2002". The worthy Vice-Chancellor has granted first extension of six months ending 19.10.2018 vide notification no. RGNUL/Academic/7717, dated 27.04.2018 (Annexure-12); the worthy Vice-Chancellor has granted second extension of six months ending 18.04.2019 vide notification no. 9143-9148 dated 20.11.2018 (Annexure-13) and worthy Vice-Chancellor has granted the third extension of six months ending 18.09.2019 vide notification no. 9893 dated 03.05.2019 (Annexure-14). She has now submitted an application for another extension of six month till 19.04.2020 for the purpose of completing her Ph.D. research work.

As per regulation 7 of the Ph.D. Regulation 2010: Maximum time permissible for Ph.D. is five years, which has been lapsed on 19.04.2018 in this case.

As per regulation 12 of the Ph.D. Regulation 2010:

In exceptional circumstances, the Vice-Chancellor, if deems it fit, may extend the period by six months at a time subject to maximum of two years i.e. which she will be completing on 19.04.2020. Thereafter, the registration of the candidate shall be deemed to be cancelled. However, for every extension, the candidate shall pay to the University the prescribed fee.

As explained above Ms. Shikha Dewan is seeking the fourth i.e. the last extension for six months from 19.10.2019 to 19.04.2020.

The case was submitted to the worthy Vice-Chancellor to allow the fourth i.e. the last extension of six months to Ms. Shikha Dewan to complete her Ph.D. research work upto 19.04.2020. It is proposed that a fourth extension of time may be allowed to Ms. Shikha Dewan as per the RGNUL Ph.D. Regulation 2010 on the deposit of necessary fees i.e. Rs. 8000/-.

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council considered the request of Ms. Shikha Dewan for Extension of Six Months for Submission of Thesis. She had been registered for Ph.D. Programme at RGNUL w.e.f. 20.04.2013. It is brought to the notice of the Hon'ble Members that she has already consumed three extensions of six months each. Now, she has submitted an application for fourth i.e. the last extensions of six months till 19.04.2020, for the purpose of completing her Ph.D. research work (Annexure-11). After thoughtful discussion the Hon'ble Members unanimously resolved to grant her last extension of six months till 19.04.2020, for the purpose of completing her Ph.D. research work and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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ITEM (10)

To consider the following proposed amendment in Transcript Fee :

Existing	Amendment Proposed
Transcript Fee Rs. 500/- (additional Rs. 100/- per copy)	Transcript Fee Rs. 500/- (additional Rs. 100/- per copy)
	Transcript/other documents by hand in sealed envelope Rs. 200/- per sealed

	envelope
Charges for sending documents by Post Rs. 200/-	Charges for sending documents within India Rs. 200/- and out of India Rs. 2500/-

The Vice-Chancellor read out that many students applied for transcripts and wants to send their transcript /other documents directly through the University to the concerned Institution/Department outside India. Therefore, the following amendments in the Regulations for fee and related matters Part VIII Section A other fee (3) required to be made as given above.

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council considered the following proposed amendment in Transcript Fee and unanimously resolved to approve the same and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

Existing	Amendment Proposed
Transcript Fee 500/- (additional Rs. 100/- per copy)	Transcript Fee 500/- (additional Rs. 100/- per copy) Transcript/other documents by hand in sealed envelope Rs. 200/- per sealed envelope
Charges for sending documents by Post Rs. 200/-	Charges for sending documents within India Rs. 200/- and out of India Rs. 2500/-

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**ITEM (11)**

**For approval of Ph.D. Course Work Completion Certificate and Mark Sheet including course of "Research and Publication Ethics (RPE)" as per UGC Notification No. D.O.No.F.1-1/2018 (Journal/CARE) dated December, 2019 (Annexure-15).**

The Vice-Chancellor read out that Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law offers Ph.D. Course in Law and Ph.D. in Social Sciences, Humanities and English Language and Literature. The RGNUL Regulations provides the modalities of Ph.D. course work in accordance with UGC Regulations. As per RGNUL Regulations the Course Work is conducted for three papers with applicable exemptions. The Ph.D. students enrolled under concerned faculties have requested to issue course work completion certificate and marks sheet as per UGC Regulations which requires for various purposes in their career opportunities.

Further, the UGC has recently introduced a mandatory two credit course titled "Research and Publication Ethics (RPE)" vide notification number D.O.No.F.1-1/2018 (Journal/CARE) dated December, 2019 for all Ph.D. Students for pre-registration course work. In reference to these compliance it is proposed to adopt the above notification said and to approve the revised Marks Sheet (Annexure-16) and Certificate of Course Work Completion containing of four papers (Annexure-17).

**Decision :**

*After thoughtful consideration and detailed discussion the Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council unanimously resolved to approve the Ph.D. Course Work Completion Certificate and Mark Sheet as per above said Annexure including course of "Research and Publication Ethics (RPE)" as per UGC Notification No. D.O.No.F.1-1/2018 (Journal/CARE) dated December, 2019 (Annexure-15). It was further*



*resolved that option to undergo the course on "Research and Publication Ethics (RPE)" as per UGC notification referred to above be also given to those candidates who have completed their course work. It was further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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ITEM (12)

To confirm of the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, made in anticipation of the approval of Academic Council, to Mr. Micheal Hielie Kevichusa Ezung a student of B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) FYIC batch 2011, to grant one special chance to clear his paper "Clinical Legal Education (ADR)" of Ninth Semester as he could not clear the course within the stipulated period of eight years.

The Vice-Chancellor read out the result status of the student is as under:

First to Eighth Semester	:	Pass
Ninth Semester	:	Re-appear – Clinical Legal Education (ADR)
Tenth Semester	:	Pass

Only one paper is left out of the whole course, the candidate has two more chances to clear his paper 'Clinical Legal Education (ADR)' of Ninth Semester, he may avail his chance to clear in the End Term Examination December 2019 or End Term Examination December 2020 Examination.

As per RGNUL Regulation the candidate has the chance to clear his papers, but he has completed the maximum period of eight year as per 18.7 rule of the Regulation. He will be able to complete the degree after eight years only.

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council unanimously resolved to confirm and approve the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, granting one special chance to clear of paper "Clinical Legal Education (ADR)" of Ninth Semester to Mr. Micheal Hielie Kevichusa Ezung a student of B.A.LL.B. (Hons.) FYIC batch 2011, as he could not clear the course within the stipulated period of eight years and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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ITEM (13)

To confirm of the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, made in anticipation of the approval of Academic Council, to Ms. Rishietha Kolaventy a student of B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) FYIC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year (Batch 2016-17) for the Second Mercy Chance to clear her Paper : Microeconomics (Major-I) of 1<sup>st</sup> semester examination.

The Vice-Chancellor read out that the above student had availed one mercy chance in Repeat Exam. June/July, 2019 to clear the above paper, but could not clear. Now she has applied for Second Mercy Chance.

Semester wise result of the student is as under:

First Semester	-	Fail- Microeconomics (Major-I)
Second Semester	-	Pass
Third Semester	-	R - Development Economics (Major-III)
Fourth Semester	-	R - International Economics (Major-IV) & Constitutional Law - II

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council unanimously resolved to confirm and approve the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, granting the Second Mercy Chance to clear of Paper : Microeconomics (Major-I) of 1<sup>st</sup> semester examination to Ms.*





*Rishietha Kolaventy a student of B.A.LL.B.(Hons.) FYIC, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year (Batch 2016-17) and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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ITEM (14)

To confirm of the orders of the Vice-Chancellor made in anticipation of the approval of the Academic Council. The Vice-Chancellor has appointed the following teachers as members of Unfair Means Committee for the Academic Session 2019-20 (upto 31.08.2020).

- 1) Dr. Kamaljit Kaur, Associate Prof. of Law,
- 2) Dr. Manoj Kumar, Assistant Prof. of Law,
- 3) Dr. Vipin Kumar, Assistant Prof. of Law

The Vice-Chancellor read out that as per provision of the ordinance, Unfair Means Committee of three members is to be constituted to decide the Unfair Means / Misconduct cases of the students during examination for the Academic Session of the University. In view of above, the Vice-Chancellor has approved in anticipation of the approval of the Academic Council, constitution of the above committee for the Academic Session 2019-20 (upto 31.08.2020).

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council unanimously resolved to confirm and approve the orders of the Vice-Chancellor, appointing the following teachers as members of Unfair Means Committee (UMC) for the Academic Session 2019-20 (upto 31.08.2020).*

- 1) Dr. Kamaljit Kaur, Associate Prof. of Law,
- 2) Dr. Manoj Kumar, Assistant Prof. of Law,
- 3) Dr. Vipin Kumar, Assistant Prof. of Law

*and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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ITEM (15)

To note the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) entered into and signed between :

1. RGNUL, Punjab and Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla (Annexure-18)
2. RGNUL, Punjab and EBC Publishing Pvt. Ltd. Lucknow (Annexure-19)

The Vice-Chancellor read out that :

Sections 4(6) and (11) of RGNUL Act provides that :

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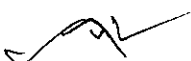
4(6) to liaise with institutions of higher learning and research in India and Abroad.

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4(11) to do all such things as are incidental, necessary or conducive to the attainment of all or any of the objectives of the University.

*In compliance of the above said provision in RGNUL Act, 2006 the Executive Council at its meeting held on 10.03.2011 (Para 7) authorized the Vice-Chancellor for entering into and signing Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with any Institution promoting education and research in India or Abroad for the advancement of the objectives of RGNUL Act, 2006.*

In view of the above, the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla, and EBC Publishing Pvt. Ltd., 34-A, Lalbagh, Lucknow, has been signed.



During the discussion it was pointed out that two other MoUs, i.e. one with ICSI, Institute of Insolvency Professionals and Centre for Mediation and Conciliation (Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Industry) Mumbai are in process and they be allowed.

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council unanimously resolved to note and approve the Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) entered into and signed between :*

- 1. RGNUL, Punjab and Himachal Pradesh National Law University, Shimla (Annexure-18)*
  - 2. RGNUL, Punjab and EBC Publishing Pvt. Ltd. Lucknow (Annexure-19)*
  - 3. RGNUL, Punjab and ICSI, Institute of Insolvency Professionals (Annexure-19-A)*
  - 4. RGNUL, Punjab and Centre for Medication and Conciliation (Bombay Chamber of Commerce and Industry), Mumbai (Annexure-19-B)*
- and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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**ITEM (16)**

**To note the Award of UGC Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) to Mr. Rajat Dixit on full time basis Fellowship under UGC Scheme (Annexure-20).**

The Vice-Chancellor read out that Mr. Rajat Dixit has been enrolled for the degree of Ph.D. (Law) under the supervision of Professor (Dr.) Naresh Kumar Vats, Registrar-cum-Professor, RGNUL on 23.09.2019 on the Research topic "Artificial Intelligence With Reference to Intellectual Property Laws: A Need to Regulatory Mechanism, Issues And Challenges".

He has submitted a request application vide which he has requested that he has qualified the UGC NET for Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) and Eligibility for Assistant Professor in the National Eligibility Test (UGC-NET) conducted in December 2018. The tenure of the fellowship is five years and its commences from the date of declaration of NET result, i.e. 5<sup>th</sup> January, 2019 (or) from the date of admission under Ph.D. (or) from the date of joining Ph.D. Programme, whichever is later.

The Awardee is required to get admission and registration for regular and full time Ph.D. course in a University / Institution / College recognized by the UGC at the first available opportunity but not later than three years from the date of issue of this award letter i.e. 21<sup>st</sup> May 2019. The University / Institute/College is requested to process for the award of JRF based on this letter, in accordance with the procedure available on "[www.ugc.ac.in/netjrf](http://www.ugc.ac.in/netjrf)".

The Executive Council of RGNUL has adopted the UGC rules/Guidelines for the award of UGC Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) as laid down by the University Grant Commission from time to time.

In view of the above, the candidature of Mr. Rajat Dixit is to be considered for award of JRF Fellowship under UGC Scheme. According to the information provided by him he fulfils the conditions of eligibility under UGC rules referred above. The Vice-Chancellor has approved his name for the Award of UGC Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) on full time basis.

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council unanimously resolved to note and approve the Award of UGC Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) to Mr. Rajat Dixit on full time basis Fellowship under UGC Scheme (Annexure-20) and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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**ITEM (17)**

**To consider the Proposal For Amendment In RGNUL Regulation Part-IV – Section-G Award of JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS IN LAW AND SOCIAL SCIENCES WITH**



LAW [(Approved by the Executive Council at its meeting held on 30.10.2009 Para 21). RGNUL has adopted the UGC Rule / Guidelines in the implementation of the Scheme for Award of UGC JRF / SRF in its Regulation (Annexure -21).

Keeping in view the UGC XIIth Plan Revised Guidelines for Junior Research Fellowship Sciences, Humanities and Social Sciences, it is necessary to update RGNUL Regulation Part-IV – Section-G. (Annexure-22).

UGC letter no. F.No. 11-5/2018(SA-I) dated 3<sup>rd</sup> June, 2019, the revised amounts of following as mentioned below may be adopted. (Annexure-23).

Existing Regulation	Proposed Amendment in Regulation
The University shall follow the UGC Rules/Guidelines in the implementation of the scheme for the award of UGC Junior Research Fellowships, as laid down by the University Grants Commission from time to time.	No Change
<b>(1) Objectives</b> The objective of the JRF scheme is to provide opportunities to the NET-Qualified candidates to undertake advanced studies and research leading to Ph.D. Degrees in Law and Social Sciences.	No Change
<b>(2) Eligibility</b>  (i) The Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) Scheme of the University Grants Commission (UGC) is open to the candidates who qualify in the National Eligibility Test (NET) of the UGC and the UGC-Council of Scientific and Industrial Research (CSIR) joint test with the following minimum qualifications as laid down by the UGC.  (ii) Master's Degree in the relevant subject with 55% marks and Second Class (50% in the Bachelor's Degree).	<b>(2) Eligibility</b>  No. Change     To be deleted  (ii) However, the registration for the M.Phil./PhD. is made by the Universities/ Institutions/ Colleges within stipulated period of two years from the date of declaration of result or date of issue of award letter/date of joining the fellowship.
<b>(3) Nature of Assistant available under the Scheme</b> The tenure of fellowship is initially for two years under the JRF scheme. Upon expiry of this period, the work of the fellow will be evaluated by a committee constituted by the Vice-Chancellor for this purpose. If the research work is found satisfactory, his/her tenure will be extended for a further period of three years under the enhanced emoluments of the Senior Research Fellowship (SRF). In case the work for the first two years is not found satisfactory, an additional year will be given to him/her for improvement. However, during this period he/she will be designated as a Junior Research Fellow. In such cases, his/her work will be evaluated again after one year, and if improvement is found, satisfactory the Fellow will get two more years under the SRF. Thus, the total period of fellowship (JRF and SRF) is five years, with no further provision of extension.	No Change
<b>(4) Amount of Fellowship</b>	<b>(4) Amount of Fellowship</b> The revised rates of Fellowship amount under the

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(i) Rs. 12,000/- per month for the initial two years (ii) Rs. 14,000/- per month for the remaining tenure	UGC Scheme for Junior Research Fellowship / Senior Research Fellowship in Science, Humanities and Social Sciences (UGC-NET) given as under:			
	Sr. No.	Name of Fellowship Scheme	Existing Fellowship Amount (Rs. Per month)	Revised Fellowship Amount (Rs. Per month)
	1.	JRF in Science, Humanities & Social Sciences (UGC-NET)	Rs. 25,000/- P.M.	Rs. 31,000 P.M.
	2.	SRF in Science, Humanities & Social Sciences (UGC-NET)	Rs. 28,000/- P.M.	Rs. 35,000 P.M.
	2) The above revised rates of Fellowship are applicable w.e.f. 01.01.2019. 3) The HRA at the revised rate of 8%, 16% and 24% is allowed as per Govt. of India norms as applicable in the city/location where the research fellows are working. 4) The other terms and conditions will remain same as per the UGC XII Plan JRF guidelines.			
(5) Contingency (i) Rs. 10,000/- per annum	(5) Contingency			
	(i)	Rs. 10,000/- per annum for initial two years	(Humanities & Social Sciences)	
	(ii)	Rs. 20,500/- per annum for remaining tenure	(Humanities & Social Sciences)	
(6) Departmental Assistance @ Rs. 3,000/- per annum per student to the host institution for providing the necessary infrastructure.	To be deleted			
(6) No Provision	(6) Escort / Reader Assistance @ Rs. 2,000/- per month in case of physically Handicapped & blind candidates.			
(7) House Rent Allowance Suitable single-seated hostel accommodation may be provided to the JRF candidate in the institution. In case of non-availability, HRA as per rules of the University will be paid to the Fellow subject to the submission of an HRA certificate through the Registrar. Junior Research Fellows may be provided accommodation in a hostel recognized/maintained by the University or may reimburse the hostel fee, excluding mess, electricity, water charges, etc. A certificate to this effect shall be furnished through the Registrar. If the Fellow makes his/her own arrangements of accommodation, he/she may be entitled to draw HRA as per categorization of the cities by the Government of India. The Fellow will submit a certificate for the said purpose to the UGC for claiming HRA through the concerned University.	(7) House Rent Allowance i. Suitable single-seated hostel accommodation may be provided to the candidates in the institutions. In such cases, the fellow is eligible to draw only hostel fees excluding mess, electricity, water charges, etc. A certificate to this effect is to be furnished through the Registrar / Director / Principal. HRA is not permissible for those candidates who are staying in Hostel accommodation. ii. In case of non-availability of hostel accommodation, the fellow may be provided with single accommodation by the host institution. In such cases, the rent paid by the fellow on actual basis may be reimbursed subject to the ceiling of HRA as per Govt. of India norms.			

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	iii. If the fellow makes her own arrangements of accommodation, she may be entitled to draw HRA as per categorization of cities by the Govt. of India.														
<b>(8) Medical Allowance</b> No separate/fixed medical assistance is provided to the fellows. However, the Fellow may avail of the medical facilities available in the University.	No Change														
<b>(9) Leave Entitlement</b> JRFs are entitled for a maximum period of 30 days of leave in a year in addition to the public holidays. They are not entitled to any other vacations. Women candidates are, however, eligible for maternity leave of 135 days at full rates of fellowship once during the tenure of their award.  In special case, a Junior Research Fellows may be allowed leave without fellowship by the UGC upto one academic year during the entire tenure of the award for accepting teaching assignments on a temporary basis, provided the assignment is in the same city/town. In other cases, leave without fellowship will be restricted to a period not exceeding three months during the tenure of the award on the recommendations of the supervisor and the institution. The period of leave without fellowship will be counted towards the total tenure of the award. JRF/SRFs are, however, advised to apply for leave through the University well in advance for the approval of the UGC.	<b>(9) Leave Entitlement</b>  i. Fellows are entitled for a maximum period of 30 days of leave in a year in addition to public holidays. They are not entitled to any other vacations.  ii. Candidates are eligible 135 days for maternity and 10 days for Paternity leave twice in the entire career as per Govt. of India norms issued from time to time at full rates of fellowship once during the tenure of their award.  iii. Beside this an 'Intermittent Break' for a maximum period of 1 year may also be permissible to the women candidates. The leave can be availed 3 times during the entire period of fellowship. However, the total duration of leave shall not exceed one year. This Flexi Time period should not be counted towards the tenure of the fellowship and thus effectively the total period of fellowship will remain the same.  iv. <b>Academic Leave:-</b> Academic leave without fellowship shall be permissible only for one year throughout the tenure (for any kind of academic assignment/teaching/ foreign visit in connection with research work). The period of leave without fellowship will be counted towards the tenure. Expenditure on foreign visit in connection to research work cannot be claimed from UGC.  <b>Note: All kinds of leave should be approved at the level of the University/College/Institute. Prior approval of the University/ Institution/ College is mandatory for all types of leaves.</b>														
<b>(10) No Provision</b>	<b>(10) Tenure of Fellowship:</b> These are integrated five year fellowship for M.Phil. and Ph.D. subject academic criteria in force for selection of Ph.D. programme. The duration of fellowship is as under:- <table><tr><th rowspan="2">Name of the course</th><th rowspan="2">Maximum duration</th><th colspan="2">Admissibility of JRF and SRF</th></tr><tr><th>JRF</th><th>SRF</th></tr><tr><td>M.Phil. +Ph.D</td><td>5 years</td><td>2 years</td><td>Remaining 3 years</td></tr><tr><td>Ph.D</td><td>5 years</td><td>2 years</td><td>Remaining 3 years</td></tr></table> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Tenure of fellowship is for five years from the date of joining. M. Phil is for two years.</li></ul>	Name of the course	Maximum duration	Admissibility of JRF and SRF		JRF	SRF	M.Phil. +Ph.D	5 years	2 years	Remaining 3 years	Ph.D	5 years	2 years	Remaining 3 years
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Ph.D	5 years	2 years	Remaining 3 years												

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	Fellowship will be granted upto date of submission of Ph.D. Thesis or 5 years whichever is earlier.
(11) No Provision	<p>(11) <b>Joining in Fellowship &amp; Registration in Ph.D.</b></p> <p>(i) The candidate must join the fellowship within 6 months from date of issue of the award letter.</p> <p>(ii) For the candidates already registered/admitted in Ph.D./M.Phil., the fellowship shall commence from the declaration of UGC NET-JRF/ CSIR-UGC-NET-JRF result, whichever is applicable.</p> <p>(iii) For the candidates who are not yet registered/admitted in Ph.D./M.Phil., the fellowship shall commence from the date of joining as a research fellow in M.Phil/Ph.D. programme</p> <p>(iv) The tenure of the fellowship is of five years from date of commencement of fellowship.</p> <p>(v) In case of integrated Ph.D. or M.Phil. to Ph.D., the maximum tenure is 5 years including M.Phil. period of fellowship.</p> <p>(vi) Registration for Ph.D. is mandatory within 2 years from the date of joining as a research fellow. If candidate has not registered himself/herself within 2 years from date of joining, then fellowship will be discontinued upto his registration for Ph.D.</p> <p>(vii) In the cases where the fellowship has been discontinued as per clause (vi) above, the fellowship may be resumed after the registration in Ph.D. within 5 years from the commencement of fellowship subject to satisfactory performance (verified by Supervisor and counter signed by the Registrar/ Principal / Director of the University / College / Institute concerned). However, the tenure of fellowship in such cases will be limited to 5 years from the date of joining in fellowship including the M.Phil. period of fellowship.</p>
(12) No Provision	<p>(12) <b>Procedure for release of grants by the UGC</b></p> <p>(i) <b>Joining:-</b> On receipt of the Joining Report in the prescribed proforma (<b>Annexure-II</b>) and eligibility certificate from the university/institution, the UGC office will accept the candidature of the Fellow and will release the first instalment of admissible grants to the individual JRFs as per norms.</p> <p>(ii) <b>Continuation Certificate:-</b> At the end of every three months a 'Continuation Certificate' in the prescribed proforma as per Annexure-III. This will make the fellow eligible to draw the fellowship for the next three months.</p>
(13) No Provision	(13) <b>Disbursement of fellowship for NON-</b>

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	<p><b>DBT/Legacy Cases</b></p> <p>UGC has developed a dedicated web portal (<a href="https://scholarship.canarabank.in/AdminLogin.aspx">https://scholarship.canarabank.in/AdminLogin.aspx</a>) for capturing data for eligible scholars through which the legacy cases (Non-DBT) shall be transferred on DBT platform. The Universities/ Colleges/ Institutions will submit the master data of the eligible beneficiaries on the portal with a unique users profile (user name and password). The bank account numbers of the beneficiaries will be validated through PFMS for creation of beneficiary ID.</p> <p>The Universities/Institutions/ Colleges shall update the information in the master data (regarding continuation, HRA, up-gradation, resignation etc.) of the beneficiaries monthly. Based on the master data received from the concerned Universities / Institutions / Colleges the payment of the fellowship will be made to the beneficiaries.</p>
(14) No Provision	<p><b>(14) Aadhar Seeding</b></p> <p>The Ministry of Human Resource Development, Government of India vide its letter D.No. No18-7/2013-U1A dated 10<sup>th</sup> June, 2016 has instructed the University Grants Commission that from the financial year 2016-17 onward the Aadhar has been mandatory for disbursement of all Government subsidies/Scholarships/Fellowships which are to be disbursed directly into the beneficiary's account.</p>
(15) No Provision	<p><b>(15) Transfer of the Research Place</b></p> <p>Transfer of the Research Place should be done by university concerned under the intimation to UGC and designated agency. Transfer of Research place will be allowed only once during the entire tenure.</p>
(16) No Provision	<p><b>(16) Resignation from the Fellowship</b></p> <p>Resignation of the candidate will be forwarded by the concerned university to the UGC designated agency under intimation to the UGC office.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Departmental Assistance will not be given under the DBT disbursement mode.</li> <li>• Fellowship/scholarship shall be disbursed once in every 3 months.</li> </ul>
<p><b>(10) Procedure for Approval by the UGC</b></p> <p>The award of JRFs is made to candidates by the University on the basis of UGC-CSIR/NET examinations for admission to Ph.D.</p> <p>The candidate must get himself/herself registered for Ph.D. at the first available opportunity but not later than within a period of two years from the date of issue of Eligibility Certificate of UGC NET/UGC-CSIR examinations. This period is not extendable. However, the actual payment of fellowship will be made with effect from the date of joining only, after the</p>	<p>To be deleted</p>

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<p>Registration for Ph.D. Degree.</p> <p>The fellowship will be made available to the candidate from the date of joining as JRF within a period of two years from the date of issue of the Eligibility Certificate of NET examination only.</p>	
<p><b>(11) Procedure for Monitoring the Progress of the Scheme</b></p> <p>The performance of the Junior or Senior Research Fellow shall be monitored by their respective supervisor/guide and reflected in the half yearly progress report submitted to the University for submission to the UGC office (<b>Annexure VI</b>).</p> <p>On completion of first two years of the award, the Fellow may apply to the University for up-gradation to Senior Research Fellowship (SRF). For this purpose, a three member Committee consisting of the Registrar, Supervisor and one Outside Expert of the concerned subject will be constituted by the Vice-Chancellor to evaluate the research work done by the Fellow. On the Recommendations/ Comments of the aforesaid Committee, the Fellow will be upgraded to the level of SRF and his/her fellowship amount will be accordingly enhanced with the approval of the UGC (<b>Annexure- VII</b>).</p> <p>The concerned Research Centre will monitor the work of the Fellow continuously. He/She shall not accept or hold any position, paid or otherwise, or receive emoluments, salary, stipend, etc. etc. from any other sources, whatsoever, during the tenure of the award.</p> <p>The fellowship may be terminated at any time during the tenure and the decision of the UGC shall be final and binding. The tenure of the fellowship is for five years from the date of joining, subject to the satisfactory progress report of the Fellow or submission of Ph.D. thesis, whichever is earlier. No extension is permissible beyond the total tenure of five years and the awardee ceases to be a UGC JRF/SRF immediately after expiry of the due date. Any claim/reference to this effect will be illegal and the individual may have to face disciplinary action for such an act.</p> <p>.....</p>	<p><b>(17) Procedure for Monitoring the Progress of the Scheme</b></p> <p>No Change</p> <p>No Change</p> <p>No Change</p> <p><b>Feedback:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>For every Fellowship/Scholarship scheme of UGC the beneficiary will have to submit a feedback in form of the report on the research work done.</li> <li>After completion of the Research Work the student will submit his/her research work in the INFLIBNET repository along with the research papers published. For Doctoral Fellowships at least 2 Research Papers(1 National and 1 international), 1 National/International publication at the time of upgradation and 1 National/International Publication by the end of the tenure must be submitted.</li> </ul> <p><b>Note:</b> The last 2 instalments will be released only after submission of the feedback and Research work in the</p>



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	Repository.
(18) No Provision	<p>(18) Gap Period</p> <p>The gap period for continuation from M.Phil. to Ph.D. under Doctoral Fellowship schemes shall be 1 year. However the total tenure of fellowship will remain for five years.</p> <p><u>Paid Assignment/Job</u></p> <p>The fellow shall not undertake any paid assignment during the tenure of the fellowship (Except in case of leave without fellowship upto one academic year during the entire tenure).</p>
<p>(12) Other Conditions</p> <p>The Fellow, with the consent of the guide/head of department/centre co-ordinator, may assist the University in its academic work, including tutorials, evaluation of the test papers, laboratory demonstration, supervision of fieldwork, library activities like group seminars and symposia, provided that such work is not likely to hinder the research programmes on hand. The total amount of time to be spent on such activities should not exceed ten hours a week.</p>	<p>(19) Other Conditions</p> <p>No change</p>
<p>(13) Cancellation of Award</p> <p>The fellowship is liable to cancellation, in case of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Misconduct</li> <li>- Unsatisfactory progress of research work</li> <li>- He/She is found ineligible later</li> </ul>	<p>(20) Cancellation of Award</p> <p>The fellowship is liable to cancellation in case of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Registration not within two years from date of joining.</li> <li>• Misconduct;</li> <li>• Unsatisfactory progress of research work/failure in any examination related to M.Phil/Ph.D. or,</li> <li>• He/She is found ineligible later.</li> <li>• Any false information furnished by the applicant or any fraudulent activity by the Scholar / Fellow / Research Awardees shall lead to Penal action against him / her.</li> </ul>

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council considered the above said Proposal For Amendment in RGNUL Regulation Part-IV – Section-G Award of JUNIOR RESEARCH FELLOWSHIPS IN LAW AND SOCIAL SCIENCES WITH LAW [(Approved by the Executive Council at its meeting held on 30.10.2009 Para 21]. RGNUL has adopted the UGC Rule/Guidelines in the implementation of the Scheme for Award of UGC JRF/SRF in its Regulation (Annexure -21) unanimously resolved to approve the same and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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ITEM (18) To consider the following proposal for amendment in RGNUL Ph.D. Regulations 2017.

	Existing Provision	Proposed Amendment
RULE No. 1.	<p><b>1. CATEGORIES OF RESEARCHERS</b></p> <p>(1) A candidate can register for the Ph.D. Degree Programme either as a Full-Time Researcher or as a Part-Time Researcher.</p> <p>(2) The Ph.D. Programme shall be as under:</p> <p>(a) Ph.D. in Law</p> <p>(b) Ph.D. in Social Sciences, Humanities and English Language and Literature</p>	<p><b>1. CATEGORIES OF RESEARCHERS</b></p> <p>(1) A candidate can register for the Ph.D. Degree Programme either as a Full-Time Researcher or as a Part-Time Researcher.</p> <p>It is proposed that Note:</p> <p><i>"the seat for UGC / JRF candidate shall be over and above the total advertised seats".</i></p> <p>(a) It is proposed that:</p> <p><i>"a full time researcher who is not UGC JRF, shall have to attend the University on all working days till the submission of thesis and a separate attendance register shall be maintained for them".</i></p> <p>(2) ..... No Change .....</p>
RULE No. 3A	No Provision for Syllabus Booklet	<p><b>3A</b> It is proposed that</p> <p><i>"for the purpose of Ph.D. Entrance Test, Syllabus Booklets be prepared in the subjects of Law, Social Sciences, Humanities and English Language and Literature by the respective subject faculty".</i></p>
RULE No. 7.	<p><b>7. PRE-Ph.D. COURSE WORK IN RESEARCH METHODOLOGY</b></p> <p>(i) The registered candidates will be required to complete the Pre-Ph.D. Course Work in Research Methodology successfully in one year after registration of their Ph.D. thesis.</p> <p>(ii) The Researcher having M.Phil. Degree shall be exempt from the Course Work.</p> <p>(iii) The Pre-Ph.D. Course Work will consist of following papers.</p> <p>Paper-I : Research Methodologies</p> <p>Paper-II: Review of Literature and Scope of Work</p> <p>Paper III: Research Techniques to be Applied to the Topic Under Research.</p> <p>(iv) The Paper-I shall be the Theory Paper of 100 (One Hundred) marks as per the syllabus of the RGNUL LL.M. First Semester Course of 'Legal Education and Research Methodology'.</p> <p>(v) The Researcher shall attend minimum 70% of lectures delivered on the subject along with the LL.M. class and shall appear in the end semester examination of that paper.</p> <p>(vi) The Researcher having LL.M. Degree from Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, Patiala or any other recognized University where paper of Research Methodology is part of the LL.M. Course curriculum shall be exempt from taking Paper I of the course work. In other cases, researchers holding LL.M. Degree may be exempted from attending theory classes but shall take the end term examination of Paper I.</p>	<p><b>7. PRE-Ph.D. COURSE WORK IN RESEARCH METHODOLOGY</b></p> <p>(i) ..... No Change .....</p> <p>(ii) ..... No Change .....</p> <p>(iii) incorporation of Paper-IV</p> <p><b>Paper-IV Research and Publication Ethics</b></p> <p>(iv) ..... No Change .....</p> <p>(v) ..... No Change .....</p> <p>(vi) The Researcher having LL.M. Degree from Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab, Patiala or any other recognized University where paper of Research Methodology is part of the LL.M. Course curriculum shall be exempt from taking Paper I of the course work. In other cases, researchers holding LL.M. Degree may be exempted from attending theory classes but shall take the end term examination of Paper I.</p> <p>To add at Sub Clause 7(vi) <i>"however, the Research Methodology consisting of Quantitative Method, Computer Application, Research Ethics &amp; Review of Published Research shall be essential part of the 1<sup>st</sup> Paper of Course, if they have not studied the Research</i></p>

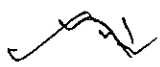
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<p>(vii) The Course work on Paper-II will consist of the following: (A) Review of the Existing Literature related to the Research Topic (B) Statement of Problem Under the Research. The End Semester Examination (ESE) of the Paper-II shall be of 50 marks in the form of submission of a Written Report to be evaluated by the Supervisor.</p> <p>(viii) The Paper-III 'Research Techniques to be Applied to the Topic Under Research' shall consist of two parts as under: (A) Description of Research Tools and Techniques (B) Application of Library and IT Techniques. This Paper-III shall be a Seminar Paper of 50 marks, to be evaluated by a panel comprising supervisor and two experts to be constituted by the Vice-Chancellor.</p> <p>(ix) Minimum pass marks for Papers I-III shall be 50% in each paper.</p>	<p><i>Methodology Work as per the UGC Notification 2016".</i></p> <p>(vii) ..... No Change .....</p> <p>(viii) ..... No Change .....</p> <p>(ix) This Paper-IV shall consist of theory and practical and shall be of 100 marks.</p> <p>(x) Minimum pass marks for Papers I-III shall be 50% in each paper.</p>

<b>RULE No. 10</b>	<p><b>10. Need for Change in Table Depicting Fee Structure.</b> As per RGNUL Ph.D. Regulations 2017, Para 8. Fee Structure, Sr. No. 6, Library and Computer Lab Fee. Need to specify whether it is Annual or for the entire Ph.D. Programme duration. <b>Proposed that the Table should specify (per annum):</b></p>
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EXISTING PROVISION			PROPOSED AMENDMENT		
Sr. No.	Mode of Fee	Existing	Sr. No.	Mode of Fee	Proposed
1(a).	Fee of Ph.D. Entrance Test General Category SC/ST/SAP Category	Rs. 2500 Rs. 1500	Sr. No. 1 to 5 No Change		
1.	Application Fee	Rs. 2000/-			
2.	Enrolment Fee	Rs. 5000/-			
3.	Re-Enrolment Fee	Rs. 5000/-			
4.	Registration Fee	Rs. 10,000/-			
5.	Annual Fee	Rs. 5000/-			
6.	Library & Computer Lab Fee	Rs. 5000/-	6.	Library & Computer Lab Fee per annum	Rs. 5000/-
7.	Late submission of progress report after 31 <sup>st</sup> March / 30 <sup>th</sup> September each year	Rs. 2000/- per half year	7.	Late submission of progress report after 31 <sup>st</sup> March / 30 <sup>th</sup> September each year and Annual Seminar after 31 <sup>st</sup> March each year	Rs. 2000/- per half yearly
8.	Thesis Submission Fee	Rs. 15,000/-	Sr. No. 8 to 15 No Change		
9.	Fee for Extension of Time for Thesis submission by six month at a time.	Rs. 8000/-			
10.	Fee for one additional opportunity for the second viva-voice	Rs. 10,000/-			
11.	Re-submission of thesis fee	Rs. 10,000/-			
12.	Provisional Certificate Fee	Rs. 2000/-			
13.	Change of Supervisor	Rs. 5000/-			
14.	Change of Area of research	Rs. 5000/-			
15.	Copy of an Examiner Report of Thesis Evaluation and Viva-Examination Report	Rs. 1000/- per report			

<b>RULE No. 13 (v)</b>	<p><b>(v) No Provision</b></p>	<p><b>(v) Submission Guidelines</b> <b>Instruction for the submission of Thesis:</b> The Researcher would be required to adhere to the following standards for submission of Ph.D. thesis: <b>Paper:</b> A4-size paper <b>Thesis text:</b> 12 pt. for English: Times New Roman; Line 1.5 spacing; Both side printing. <b>Foot note:</b> The footnote (if any) shall be typed single spaced with Font Size 10 in RLR/Blue Book Format. <b>Page Numbering:</b> All pages of the thesis shall be on the right bottom of the page in format (Page 1 of 100) except the preliminary pages which shall be numbered in lower case Roman Numerical (ii, iii, iv ....). <b>Binding:</b> Soft Flexible.</p>
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		It is proposed that for the submission of Ph.D. Thesis a format needs to be specified. Annexure enclosed.
<b>RULE No. 19</b>	<p><b>19. DEPOSITORY WITH INFLIBNET</b></p> <p>1. Following the successful completion of the evaluation process and before the announcement of the award of Ph.D. Degree. University shall submit an electronic copy of the Ph.D. Thesis to the INFLIBNET.</p> <p>2. Prior to the actual award of the degree University shall issue provisional certificate to the effect that the degree has been awarded in accordance with the provisions of UGC Regulations 2016.</p> <p>3. <b>Uploading the Ph.D. Thesis in Shodhganga Repository</b></p> <p>The UGC Ph.D. regulations require the depository of the Thesis with Shodhganga. Research Scholar(s) who are submitting the Thesis and CD (in .pdf format) for the Shodhganga has to follow the Shodhganga Repository Guidelines.</p> <p>1. After the successful completion of the evaluation process and after the announcement of the award of the M. Phill./Ph.D. degree (s) the Examination Branch shall submit an electronic copy in pdf file of the Dissertation/Thesis to INFLIBNET, for hosting the same so as to make it accessible to all Institutions/Colleges.</p> <p>2. Examination Branch after the evaluation of Thesis may kindly send a CD of the Thesis in PDF format to the library, and then library will accordingly upload the same on Shodhganga.</p> <p>3. Research Scholar(s) who are submitting the Thesis and CD (in pdf. format) for the Shodhganga Repository has to follow the following guidelines:-</p> <p>(a) Ph.D. Research data on CD by Candidate.</p> <p>(b) Separate file for Title page, Certificates, summary and Chapter wise Ph.D. Thesis or Dissertation.</p> <p>(c) Authenticate by Supervisor of CD as to exact replica of Print version.</p> <p>(d) "Certificate of Originality" by Researcher and Plagiarism report and certificate of Supervisor.</p> <p>(e) Contents of Thesis:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Title page.pdf</li> <li>▪ Certificate of supervisor.pdf</li> <li>▪ Declaration by Researcher.pdf</li> <li>▪ Preface if needed.pdf</li> <li>▪ Acknowledgment.pdf</li> <li>▪ List Contents.pdf</li> <li>▪ List of Abbreviations.pdf</li> <li>▪ List of Cases.pdf</li> <li>▪ Chapters.pdf</li> <li>▪ Bibliography.pdf</li> <li>▪ List of Reference if any</li> <li>▪ List of Table/Figure (as applicable)</li> <li>▪ Summary</li> </ul> <p>(f) The researcher is to give non – exclusive rights in the specified format to archive and distribute their doctoral work or LL.M. Dissertation work through</p>	<p><b>19. DEPOSITORY WITH INFLIBNET</b></p> <p>(1) ..... No Change .....</p> <p>(2) ..... No Change .....</p> <p>(3) ..... No Change .....</p>



	<p>"Shodhganga" as well as through University's IR in full text at the time of submission.</p> <p>4. No Provision</p>	<p>4. To be incorporated: "To ensure authentic research work from the inception itself, it is proposed that the plagiarism report of the synopsis shall also be generated by the Supervisor concerned at the time of submission of the Synopsis for the purpose of registration to the Ph.D. Program".</p>
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**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council thoughtfully considered the above said proposal for amendment in RGNUL Ph.D. Regulations 2017, and unanimously resolved to approve the same. It was further resolved that plagiarism in case of Ph.D. synopsis/thesis should not be more than 20% after applying all relevant filters. It was also resolved that the advertisement for Ph.D. entrance test should be given with wide circulation and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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**ITEM (19)**

To consider an application for request of extension of time limit for submission of thesis received on 17.01.2020 from Ms. Deepti Singla, UGC Senior Research Fellow, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab (Annexure-24).

The Vice-Chancellor read out that :

1. Ms. Deepti Singla was registered on 20.04.2013 under the supervision of Professor (Dr.) Anand Pawar with the research topic of "Scientific Techniques in Investigation of Crimes: A Study with Special Reference to DNA Techniques and its Admissibility in Court".
2. After getting registered for Ph.D., the researcher qualified for JRF and joined as JRF on 16.02.2015. She has completed two years tenures as JRF on 15.02.2017 and she was upgraded from JRF to SRF w.e.f. 16.02.2017 for next three years.
3. As per aforesaid status the UGC fellowship (SRF) of Ms. Deepti Singla is available upto 15.02.2020. However RGNUL Regulations on Ph.D. Programme 2010 earlier provided and for maximum period as five years. RGNUL has revised the Ph.D. Program Regulations in 2017, wherein the maximum period for completion of Ph.D. work is Six years. If considered under the new regulations Ms. Deepti Singla can proceed with her work upto 20.04.2019. But since UGC has granted her fellowship upto 15.02.2020, the matters of permission of extension of time for completion of research work by Ms. Deepti Singla's upto 15.02.2020.

The Hon'ble members of the Executive Council perused the recommendations of the Academic Council made at its meeting held on 07.07.2018 and unanimously resolved to approve the same with following observations:

*During discussion with regard to the item No. 6 of the Academic Council, the Executive Council unanimously resolved that whenever there is request for extension of period for Research Work the requirements in individual cases should be specifically examined.*

4. Ms. Deepti Singla has requested through her application that her research work is in progress. As per the RGNUL Regulation she has to present the Annual Seminars, Pre-Submission Seminar for the final submission of her Ph.D. Thesis.
5. Her request for the grant of First Extension from 16.02.2020 to 15.08.2020 is placed for consideration and approval, please.

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council considered the request for extension of time limit for submission of thesis as given above received on 17.01.2020 from Ms. Deepti Singla, UGC Senior Research Fellow, Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab (Annexure-24), and unanimously resolved to approve the grant of First Extension from 16.02.2020 to 15.08.2020 and further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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**ITEM (20) To approve the revised Annual Quality Assurance Report (Format in Annexure-25).**

The Vice-Chancellor read out that Rajiv Gandhi National University of Law, Punjab was accredited by the National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) in the year 2015 with Grade 'A'. The second circle of the accreditation is due in the month of May 2020. The Annual Quality Assurance Report sent to the NAAC, were returned with the observation to resubmit as per revised format.

The NAAC recently have again revised the criteria of assessment in December 2019. Accordingly the revised AQARs of previous years are to be uploaded on the NAAC portal. Accordingly, the revised AQARs for the second circle accreditation, placed for kind perusal and approval.

**Decision :**

*The Hon'ble Members of the Academic Council examined the format of Annual Quality Assurance Report as given at Annexure-25 and unanimously resolved to approve the same. The Members also authorised to the Vice-Chancellor to make mutatis-mutandis in this regard. It was further recommended to the Executive Council for its kind approval.*

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The Vice-Chancellor thanked the Hon'ble members of the Academic Council for their valuable inputs at the meeting. The meeting was concluded with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

  
VICE-CHANCELLOR

  
REGISTRAR