

UNIVERSITY OF CALICUT
DIRECTORATE OF RESEARCH

Format for the minutes of the Research Admission Committee (RAC)
(To be prepared in Printed Format)

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The minutes of Research Admission Committee (RAC) of
(Name of research Centre & Institution) held on.....(date)
at(time)
at(Venue) to consider the application
of.....(Name of the Candidate) for Registration to Ph.D.
Programme in(subject & Faculty) under the Supervision
of(Name of Guide)

- a) Members present :
(With Name, Designation and Signature. Presence of Guide and Co-guide,
if any, is mandatory)
- b) Proposed title submitted :
- c) Proceedings (including decision taken) :
- d) Specific recommendation of the RAC for Ph.D registration :
(Specify whether the research is interdisciplinary)
- e) Approved Title by the RAC :
(Registration shall be granted in the approved title. So care should be taken while entering the title)
- f) Subject, Mode of Research, Faculty & Guide, Co-guide :
(Specific recommendation is needed if the appointment of co-guide
is for academic purpose) :
- g) Specific recommendation for exemption from CW & PQE
in the format appended herewith, if the candidate has a regular
recognized MPhil Degree. :

Meeting was concluded at(time)

Signature & Name of Chairman of the Research Advisory Committee

NB: (1) To be submitted in the printed form (Photocopy of the concerned page(s) of the Minutes Book endorsed by the
Chairman to be produced on demand) (2) If the RAC suggest any corrections/modification, the same must be got approved
by the next RAC

Dated: 17.10.2016

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Sub:- DoR- Admission to PhD Programme - Exemption from Course Work and PQE to the M.Phil Degree Holders - further directions issued-reg.

Ref :- (1)UGC Regulations on Minimum Standards and Procedure for the Award of M.Phil/PhD Degrees-2009
(2)Rules & Regulations for Ph.D Programme, 2012
(3)U.O.No. 11300/2015/Admn dated 04-11-2015
(3) Orders of The Director dated 05-09-2016

It has been brought to the notice of all concerned that, as per references cited as 1 to 3, holders of regular recognised M.Phil Degree with Compulsory Course Work & Methodology in the relevant area of Ph.D research, are exempted from the course work examination. The relevant area shall be ascertained by the Doctoral Committee(DC)/ Research Admission Committee (RAC). However, it is frequently noted that, the recommendations of most of the Doctoral Committees furnished with the request for PQE & Course Work exemption, are without specific recommendations or clear certification in this regard.

Under the above circumstances, all Heads of Research Departments/ Recognized Research Centres of the University of Calicut are hereby informed that recommendation of the RAC in this matter need to be clear and specific as to whether the candidate with MPhil degree, has cleared both the Course Work and Research Methodology in the relevant area of Ph.D research. If the candidate has cleared only Research Methodology, the candidate has to pass a separate examination for the required paper conducted by the University.

It is, therefore, informed that the recommendation of the RAC in the case of PQE & CW exemption shall be in any one of the following format applicable to the candidate:

1.“Certified that Mr/Ms(Name of the candidate) holds a regular recognised M.Phil Degree in the relevant area of Ph.D research topic and he/ she has done the Compulsory Course Work and Research Methodology, both in the relevant area of research and may be exempted from doing PQE & CW.”

Or

2.“Certified that Mr/Ms(Name of the candidate) holds a regular recognised M.Phil Degree not in the relevant subject, but has done a course in Research Methodology during the programme, he/ she may be exempted from Course Work and PQE, if he/ she successfully clears a separate examination in Course Work in the relevant subject of research, conducted by the University.

In the case of interdisciplinary research, MPhil degree (as stated in 1 above) in the concerned area in any of the disciplines can be considered as equivalent to the Course work. In the case of any dispute in the topic of the candidate in Multi disciplinary research, Dean of faculty can take decision in consultation with the RAC/ Head of the Department in which the candidate is registered for the P h D degree. The requests for exemption from PQE & CW not supported with the above specific certification of the duly constituted Doctoral Committee will not be considered on any ground.

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To
All Heads of Departments/Heads of Research Centres under the University of Calicut.

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