

# UNIVERSITY OF KOTA KOTA



## ORDINANCES\*

\* (Proposed subject to the approval)

# DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY

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M.Phil./Ph.D. degree) regulation, 2009

**PREFACE:**

University of Kota, Kota offers the postgraduate programmes leading to the award of degree of Doctor of Philosophy its Departments/Research Centers. The award of degree of Doctor of Philosophy is in recantation of high academic achievements, independent research and application of knowledge under the faculties of Arts, commerce and Management, Education , Law, Science and Social Sciences.

The academic programme leading to the degree of Doctor of Philosophy is based on the University Grant Commission (UGC) Minimum standards and procedure for awards of M.Phil./Ph.D. degree Regulation 2009. The degree of Doctor of Philosophy shall be abbreviated as Ph.D.

The Ph.D. work must be a piece of research characterized by the discovery of facts or by fresh approach towards the interpretation of facts or theories or an applied work of great significance. In either case, it shall evince the capacity of the candidate for critical examination and independent judgment. It should also be satisfactory so far as its presentation is concerned and must be suitable for publication.

The degree of Doctor of Philosophy of the University of Kota, Kota shall be conferred on a research scholar who fulfills all the requirements specified in these Ordinances and Regulation. The degree of Doctor of Philosophy will be awarded on the research work carried out by the research scholar.

## **Definitions**

Note: He/She and his/her, respectively here in after.

- i. "Candidate" shall mean an individual who applies for admission to the Ph.D. programme of the University of Kota, Kota on a prescribed Application Form.
- ii. "Supervisor" shall mean a faculty member of the University/ Affiliated Institute/College or An Eminent Scholar/ Scientist approved by the Research Board/Subject Research Committee to Supervise the research work of research scholar.
- iii. "Co-supervisor" shall mean an additional supervisor approved by the Research Board/Subject Research Committee to help in the accomplishment of the research work of the research scholar.
- iv. "Course Work" shall mean courses of the study prescribed by the University, in the light of UGC Regulation 2009, to be undertaken by a candidate registered for the Ph.D. degree.
- v. "Director (Research)" shall mean the Director (Research) to be appointed by the Vice Chancellor. All the matters related to Ph.D. degree shall be routed through Director (research).
- vi. "Degree" shall mean the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy of the University of Kota, Kota.
- vii. "DRC" shall mean Department Research Committee.
- viii. "SRC" shall mean Subject Research Committee.
- ix. "Minimum Period" shall mean the minimum period for which a candidate must be registered, prior to submission of the thesis.
- x. "UOK" shall mean University of Kota, Kota.
- xi. "Research Board" shall mean the Research Board constituted by the University of Kota, Kota.
- xii. "Research Center" shall mean Research Center approved/recognised by the University, where research work is permitted to be pursued.
- xiii. "Research Scholar" shall mean a person registered for the Ph.D. degree programme.
- xiv. "Residential Requirement" shall mean the minimum period for which a Research scholar must attend the University/Research Center on full time basis.
- xv. "University" shall mean the University of Kota, Kota.

## **ORDINANCES**

### **O.1. ELIGIBILITY FOR ADMISSION**

#### **O.1.1. Eligibility for Entrance Test**

A candidate holding the Master's degree in relevant subject from any recognized university with at least 55% marks is eligible for entrance test for Ph.D. admission (relaxation of 5% for SC/ST and physically handicapped candidates). The student who has qualified an examination conducted by professional bodies leading to CA, CS, ICWA, PGDM approved by AICTE, New Delhi is also eligible for the entrance test.

#### **O.1.2. Exemption from Entrance Test**

The candidates belonging to following categories would be exempted from the Ph.D. entrance test:

- 1.2.1. Those who have qualified UGC/CSIR NET (JRF) examination /SET/GATE (with a valid score) / Teacher Research Fellowship holder.
- 1.2.2. The students who qualify UGC recognized JRF test conducted by National /Govt. agencies such as ICSSR, ICPR etc.
- 1.2.3. A permanent University/College Teacher who is **appointed by RPSC/equivalent/duly constituted selection committee**, in case of Teacher from an affiliated college the appointment must be approved by the University having a minimum five years teaching experience on regular basis.

#### **O.1.3. Entrance test**

The entrance test will be conducted in the subjects where the vacant seats are available. The candidates are advised to appear in the subject of their post-graduation only.

Note: The syllabus will be the same as that of UGC/CSIR NET examination available on the UGC/CSIR websites.

The test will be only for judging the eligibility of the candidate for Ph.D. programme. **Qualifying the eligibility test will not ensure that the candidate will necessarily be registered as a Ph.D. student.**

### **Validity of the test**

The candidate qualifying the test would be eligible to be invited for the interview. The validity of the written test will be for a period of next two years.

## **2. Interview**

- i. The candidates declared qualified in the entrance test and the candidates exempted from entrance test both would be invited for an interview to be conducted by Director (Research). At the time of interview by the expert panel the candidates are expected to discuss their research interest/s. **The candidate would have to produce the original documents at the time of interview.** After the entrance test the merit would be prepared on the basis of the prescribed calculation.
- ii. The number of students, who shall be admitted to the Ph.D. programme, shall be decided by the university. **The University shall follow the rules of the reservation policy in granting such admissions.**

## **3. Allocation of Supervisor / Co-supervisor**

The allocation of the supervisor to a selected student shall be done by the Interview Board keeping in view the number of vacant seats available with faculty members, the available specialisation among the faculty supervisors, and the research interest of the student as indicated by him during the interview. The allotment/allocation of supervisor shall not be left to the individual student or teacher.

## **4. Course work**

After having been admitted to the Ph.D. programme, each student shall be required to undertake course work for a minimum period of one semester. The course work shall be treated as pre-Ph.D. preparation. It shall include two papers, one on research methodology

including quantitative methods and computer applications and the other one shall be an intensive review of available literature/research techniques relating to the proposed research area of the Ph.D. scholar. Candidates undergoing course work are required to obtain a certificate from his/her supervisor with counter-signed by the head of the concerned institution to the effect that he/she has successfully completed the course work. **The mode of examination regarding course work would be decided by the concern department and the supervisor.** The course work will be offered on self-finance basis to the Ph.D. scholars. If found necessary, the courses may be carried out by doctoral candidates in sister departments / institutes either within or outside the university for which due credit will be given to them.

Note: The fee for the course work would be decided separately.

#### **O.125**

1. Each candidate to be registered for a Ph.D. degree by the University shall work under a Supervisor recognised by the University.
2. The following persons will be ipso-facto eligible to act as research supervisors:
  - (i) All Professors and Associate Professors (Readers) in the University Teaching Departments, provided they posse doctoral degree of this University or from any other University recognised equivalent thereto by the University.
  - (ii) All permanent Assistant Professor/Lecturers in the University Teaching Departments, possessing a doctoral degree with at least five years teaching experience of post graduate classes or at least five years experience of post doctoral research work in a recognised research institution.
3. A permanent/regularly selected teacher in an affiliated post graduate college possessing a doctoral degree with at least five years teaching experience of post graduate classes and having some post doctoral research work to his credit may be recognised as a research supervisor by the Research Board.

4. Provided that once a teacher is recognised as a research supervisor, he will continue to be a research supervisor even if transferred to an under-graduate college. Registration of fresh candidates will not be permitted under him during the period he serves in an under graduate college, except if specially permitted by the Research Board to register Ph.D. students under his supervision.
5. An eminent scholar or a scientist may be recognised as a research supervisor by the Research Board, provided that the case is moved by the Vice-Chancellor for consideration of the Research Board and the admission of his Institution or this University has consented for extending the available research facilities to the candidates who may be registered under his supervision by this University. The maximum number of students to be permitted under such supervisor shall be limited to four at a time.
6. In exceptional cases, a retired person of this University or any other University or Institution of higher learning or research, who had been recognised as research supervisor by this University or by any other University, recognised for the purpose by this University, may be recognised and/or permitted by the Research Board to register Ph.D. candidates under him, provided that written consent has been obtained from the University or a Research Centre of the University for extending required facilities to him and his scholars for carrying out the proposed research work.
7. The joint supervisor in the same subject or different subjects/Facilities is permissible in special cases provided:
  - i. The reasons for joint supervision are well defined by both the supervisors.
  - ii. In every case, the DRC(s)/SRC(s) will decide as to who of the two be the main supervisor/ and co-supervisor also.
  - iii. The candidates will be counted as one full candidate in the quota of the main supervisor.
  - iv. The co-supervisor will not act as an examiner.
  - v. Permission for joint supervision shall be accorded by the Vice Chancellor.

vi. The joint supervisors may belong to same subject or different subjects/faculties, or one belonging to a Research Centre of the University and other from outside the University.

8. Applications for recognition as Research Supervisor shall be made through the Head of the University Department in case of University teachers and through the Principal of the constituent college/ affiliated college in case of college teachers. Other applications, if any, may be made through the Head of the institution/organisation of the candidate. All such applications should be forwarded to the Director/D.R. (Research) of the University.
9. No person will normally be allowed to guide his/her close relation. If somebody wants to do so, prior permission of the Research Board will be necessary. If such permission is granted, the supervisor permitted to supervise the research work of his relation, will not act as one of the examiners. Such supervisor will also not suggest names of the examiners for evaluation of thesis. In such a case, the panel of examiners will be submitted by the Co-Supervisor, if any, or by the DRC/SRC as decided by the Vice Chancellor. In such cases instead of two, three external examiners will be appointed. The term 'close relation' includes wife, husband, son, daughter, sister, nephew, niece, grand nephew, grand niece, uncle, aunt, first cousin, son-in-law, daughter-in-law of the Supervisor and also the nephew, niece, grand nephew and grand niece of supervisor's wife.

**Explanation**

- (i) 'Research Centre', wherever it appears in these research rules, means a post graduate department of the University or a postgraduate affiliated college of the University or an Institute/Centre/Programme of the University or any other Institute/Centre/Programme recognised as the research centre, by the University.
- (ii) 'Post-graduate teaching experience', wherever it appears in these research rules, may include teaching experience of post-graduate diplomas and other advance courses taught after graduation in the subject and approved by the Vice Chancellor.

## **O.126**

### **1. Registration and synopsis submission through Supervisor**

- i. After allocation of the Supervisor, the candidates shall apply for registration in the prescribed application form obtainable from the University on payment of prescribed fee within the prescribed time period every year. Application for Ph.D. registration should be along with the proposed research work including the theme and methodology to be followed, objectives and importance / relevance of the proposed work, bibliography and other details. The candidate will have to deposit the prescribed registration fee and submit the synopsis to the Director Research as per scheduled date.
- ii. The synopsis would be submitted, **within a period of three months from the date of the interview**, duly approved by the supervisor. It shall have to be submitted through the head of the concerned research center/department.

### **2. Meeting of Research Committee**

- a) Department Research Committee (DRC)/Subject research Committee (SRC) would be constituted by the Vice Chancellor for each subject to finalise the research proposal.
  - (1) The DRC shall consist the following :
    - (i) Head of the Department concerned;
    - (ii) Senior most Professor, other than the Head of the Department / Senior most Associate Professor other than the Head, if there is no Professor.
    - (iii) Atleast one expert in the concerned are of the research, nominated by the Vice-Chancellor in consultation with the Head of the Department; However, if there is only one teacher in the concerning Department two other members / experts shall be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor.

(2) In case there is no University teaching department in the subject, SRC shall be constituted by the Vice-Chancellor by appointing three experts of the subject. Out of the three experts, one will be nominated as convener by the Vice-Chancellor.

The quorum of the DRC/SRC will be two, out of whom one must be subject expert.

The DRC/SRC will meet every year in the month of February and August. In case of urgency special meetings may be called any time with the prior permission of the Vice-Chancellor.

- b) All matters relating to registration and award of Ph.D. will be decided and implemented by the Research Board (RB) as constituted by the Vice Chancellor. The RB is empowered to give the approval for recognition of supervisor as well as the centre/department/college/institute of research for Ph.D. etc.
- c) The candidate applying with synopsis for registration for Ph.D. degree, under the allocated supervisor, will have to defend the proposed work before the DRC/SRC. Improvement, alteration and modifications suggested by the committee in the synopsis have to be incorporated in and the revised **synopsis to be submitted within 15 days** to the Director (Research).
- d) If the outline of the proposed research work is approved, the Director (Research) shall notify the candidate concerned regarding approval of outline of work and ask him/her to take admission in the institution where he/she plans to work. The candidate shall intimate the date of his/her joining the research to the Director (Research) through the supervisor and Head of the concerned research center/institute. The date of registration would be the date of admission at this stage.
- e) The candidate will be required to submit, through proper channel, his/her admission report to the University **positively within one month** of the date of the issue of registration letter.

### **O.127**

The application for registration along with the recommendations of the DRC/SRC and/or of the Research Board shall be placed before the Vice Chancellor, who after satisfying himself that the subject/topic offered is one which can usefully be pursued at least for two years and the candidate possesses the requisite qualifications, will permit the candidate to do research.

### **O.128**

Every candidate shall be duly enrolled as research student of the University on payment of the prescribed fee before he is registered for the Ph.D. degree. The application for enrolment shall be sent to the University and shall be accompanied by the prescribed and the original Master's degree/ original marksheet of master's degree and the Migration Certificate of the University from which he took the Master's degree.

#### ***Explanation***

a. Candidates who have already been enrolled once in the University shall not be required to be enrolled again.

The date of commencement of research work will be accepted from the date of registration letter issued by the University.

### **O.129**

#### **The fee schedule for the degree of Ph.D. shall be as follows:**

1.	Charges of Registration Form	200 (For all)
2.	Registration Fee	
	a. From Indian Students	3500 (For all)
	b. From Foreign Students	0000 (For all)
3.	Re-registration Fee	5000 (For all)
4.	Thesis Submission Fee	5000 (For all)

5.	Thesis re-submission Fee	5000 (For all)
6.	Second Viva-voce examination	3000 (For all)
7.	Provisional Certificate Fee	100 (For all)
8.	Degree in Absentia Fee	200 (For all)
9.	Development Fee	
	a. For Indian students	1000 (For all)
	b. For Foreign students	10000
10.	Entrance for Ph.D.	1000
11.	*Tuition Fee for UOK	2400 (Per year)
	Departments only	
12.	Library Fee for UOK	500 (Per year)
	Departments only	
13.	Caution Money (Refundable)	1000 (one time)
	for UOK Departments only	
14.	Others (I-Card, Magazine, Cycle Stand etc.) for UOK	500 (Per year)
	Departments only)	
15.	Lab. Fee for Practical Subjects	2500 (Per year)
	for UOK Departments only	

\* Employees of University of Kota, Kota and their wards, teachers, ST/SC/OBC candidates may be exempted from Tuition fee.

Provided that, the above mentioned fee schedule will also apply to the applicants for the award of D.Sc. and D.Lit. Degrees and that this fee structure may be changed from time to time by the University with the approval of the Research Board.

### **O.130**

The minimum period required to submit the Ph.D. thesis is two years from the date of registration provided that the candidate has put in attendance of at least 200 days at the approved institution / department.

In case a candidate fails to submit his / her thesis within 3 years, he / she may in special circumstances on the recommendation of the supervisor and duly forwarded by the concerned authority, be permitted an extension of one year and further by one more year, if required. In case, the candidate fails to submit the thesis within a period of five years in total than he/she will have to apply for re-registration. The period of re-registration will be in continuation of the extended period and it will be continued for the next two years. After getting re-registration, he/she will have to submit his/her thesis within a period of two years otherwise he/she will not be allowed to work after seven year in total.

### **O.131**

The maximum number of students, which a supervisor can take for research work under his supervision, shall be as follows:-

- a. University Professor/ PG College Principal- 08
- b. Associate Professor (Reader)/ Degree College Principal/ Vice Principal/ PG Head in the constituent/ affiliated College- 07
- c. Asstt. Professor in the University/ Lecturers of PG College-06
- d. External Supervisors, recognised by this University- 02
- e. Others- 02

### **Explanation**

1. The Principal of Affiliated College should give the necessary relief to a supervisor who is supervising research students.
2. The teacher candidates (persons teaching in the University or in a college affiliated to the University) registered with a research supervisor will not be counted in his/her quota. However, their number will be limited to three at a time.

In such cases where a candidate has applied for research under the supervision of a teacher who is due to retirement, the candidate shall be registered provided that there is a vacancy with the

supervisor on the date of his/her retirement, even though the DRC/SRC may not have met by that time. The date of retirement for this purpose shall be taken to be the last date of the month of superannuation.

### **O.132**

Every person who joins a University Teaching Department or a Post Graduate College or any other Research Centre of the University for carrying out research after being registered by the University of Ph.D. Degree, shall pay the prescribed tuition fee of Rs. 100/- per month. It shall be payable regularly till the candidate submits his thesis to the University. Teacher candidates are exempted from payment of tuition fee, provided that they are not in receipt of teacher fellowship.

#### **Explanation**

A 'No Dues' certificate duly signed by the Head of the Department, Hostel Warden concerned, University Library, Accounts section of the University, Departmental Library and Incharges of Central research facilities, if any, shall be required to be submitted along with the thesis. Similarly, in the case of a candidate working under the guidance of a supervisor of a Constituent / Affiliated College or any other Research Centre of the University, the 'No Dues Certificate' from the Principal of the College / Director or Incharge of the Research Centre shall be required to be submitted along with the thesis.

### **O.133**

No candidate registered for Ph.D. degree shall be allowed to take up any University Examination. However, in exceptional cases, the Vice Chancellor may grant such permission in the interest of research, on the recommendation of the supervisor.

### **O.134**

a. Every candidate registered for the Ph.D. degree shall submit yearly progress report of the University through his/her supervisor, who will record his/her observation about the progress of the research work of the candidate on the report and will send a copy of the same to the

Director (Research) through the Head of the University Department / Principal of the College / Director Incharge of any other Research Center of the University.

- b. The supervisor shall submit a report to the Vice-Chancellor on the progress of the work of a foreign scholar or a scholar working out of the state or of the country once every year.
- c. A candidate ordinarily shall not be permitted to change his/her subject / topic during the course of his/her research. If, however an occasion arises due to some technical difficulties, the Vice Chancellor may, on the recommendation of the DRC/SRC, permit any modification of the subject/topic.

#### **O.135**

(i) The supervisor shall intimate to the University that the thesis is ready for submission. He/She shall make sure that the thesis is presentable in all its aspects and shall forward three copies of the summary of the thesis to the University. The candidate shall submit his/her thesis within six months of the intimation of the supervisor and only in extraordinary cases shall the Vice Chancellor extend the time.

(ii) The thesis, when received, shall be referred for evaluation to the supervisor and two external examiners, who will be appointed in the following manner:

The supervisor (the main Supervisor in case of co-supervision) of the candidate will suggest a panel of eight names of external experts (including adequate data regarding designation and address) competent to evaluate the thesis. The panel will be submitted to the Vice Chancellor, who will appoint two external examiners out of this panel. If necessary, he/she may call for additional names for the panel from supervisor. The supervisor shall give a certificate to the effect that the name suggested in the panel are not his close relatives.

#### **O.136**

##### **Requirement for submitting Ph.D. Thesis :**

- (a) A 'No Dues' certificate duly signed by the Head of the Department, Hostel Warden concerned, University Library, Accounts Section of the University, Departmental Library

and Incharges of Central research facilities, if any, shall be required to be submitted alongwith the thesis. Similarly, in the case of a candidate working under the guidance of a supervisor of a Constituent / Affiliated College or any other Research Centre of the University, the 'No Dues Certificate' from the Principal of the College / Director or Incharge of the Research Centre shall be required to be submitted along with the thesis.

- (b) The candidate shall pursue his research at the headquarters of the supervisor, the period of residence being not less than 100 days in each year from the date of commencement of research. A portion of the period of residence, may for the sake of special guidance or facilities or collection of research material or field study be spent elsewhere, as directed by the supervisor.
- (c) The candidate may incorporate in his thesis, contents of any of his published papers.
- (d) If the supervisor considers that the knowledge of a particular language is necessary for doing research, the candidate shall not be permitted to submit the thesis unless he passes a test in that language.
- (e) The candidate must have one research papers published / accepted to his credit before submission and also he/she has to present a pre-submission seminar before the Departmental Committee.
- (f) The minimum period required to submit the Ph.D. thesis is two years from the date of registration provided that the candidate has put in attendance of at least 200 days at the approved institution / department.
- (g) A candidate shall submit through proper channel four printed or typed copies of his / her Ph.D. thesis and one soft copy to be sent to the UGC, which shall comply with the following conditions:
  - It must be a piece of research work characterized by the discovery of facts or by fresh approach towards the interpretation of facts or theories or an applied work of great significance. In either case, it shall evince the capacity of the candidate for critical

examination and independent judgment. It should also be satisfactory so far as its presentation is concerned and must be suitable for publication.

The major portion of the work presented in the thesis is done after registration in this university.

(h) The Ph.D. thesis can be written either in English or Hindi (written in Devnagari script). When the subject matter of thesis relates to modern Indian language, it may be written in that language.

(i) Candidates submitting the thesis for the university degree is required to follow the following aspects regarding paper size, text layout etc.:

- Size of the paper should be A4 / quarter, 210mm x 295mm (8.5" x 11.5") except for maps, drawing, graphs on which no restriction is placed.
- The text should be typed leaving a margin of 4 cm on left hand side and 3 cm on right hand side as well as 3 cm at the top and 3 cm at the bottom.
- The text should be typed in 1.5 one spacing using normal typeface / electronic typing / PC Word processing in 12 font size of Arial / Times New Roman; Fancy fonts should be avoided for text writing. For scripts other than Roman (Devnagri, Urdu etc.) comparable font size should be used.
- Likewise, cover layout should also be specified. Affiliation of the supervisor could be added but it should not contain administrative designation like Head of the Department / Dean of the Faculty, etc.
- **Contents and text of the thesis should also be submitted on a CD, with four hard copies.** CD is not to be issued and kept under safe custody of the Director (Research).
- Candidates should submit thesis in the following specific colours on cover page:
  - Faculty of Science : Light Blue
  - Faculty of Commerce and Management : Cream
  - Faculty of Social Science : Light Green

- Faculty of Arts : White
- Faculty of Education : Pink
- Faculty of Law : Black

**O.137**

(a) The thesis shall comply with the following conditions to merit the award of Ph.D. degree:

- (i) It should be a piece of research work characterised either by the findings of new facts or by a fresh approach towards interpretation of facts and theories.
- (ii) It should reflect the candidate's capacity for critical examination and judgment.
- (iii) It should be satisfactory in its literary presentation.

(b) The examiner shall be requested to send their reports on the thesis within two months of the receipt of the same by them.

(c) (i) A Viva-Voce examination, to be conducted by one of the external examiners and the supervisor, shall be held in all cases which shall be open to the Dean of the Faculty concerned, the teachers of the subject concerned in the University department, constituent / affiliated colleges and other Research Centers of the University, if any, and the Research Scholars in the Department/Subject concerned, who all may attend viva-voce examination as observes at their own expenses. The observes shall not be entitled to ask any question.

(ii) If the original examiners are not available or not give consent to conduct viva within 6 months from the date of intimation by the University, other person from within the country may be appointed by the Vice-Chancellor.

(d) The examiners shall send their reports independently to the Director / D.R. (Research) by the name marked 'Confidential'.

(e) If in the first instance, all the examiners evaluating the thesis as well as those conducting the viva-voce examination recommended the award of degree to the candidate, the degree shall be awarded.

- (f) If the majority of the examiners recommend rejection of the thesis, the thesis shall be rejected.
- (g) In case of divergence of opinion among the examiners not covered under clauses(s) above, following procedure shall be followed:-
- (i) If one of the examiners has suggested revision or rejection of the thesis, whereas others have accepted it, the thesis shall be referred to a third external examiner and his/her recommendation shall be final.
  - (ii) If one of the examiners has rejected the thesis, another has asked for its revision while the third examiner has accepted it, the thesis shall be rejected. When the thesis is rejected under such circumstances, the candidate can get himself registered a fresh on the same subject.
  - (iii) If both the external examiners recommend revision of the thesis, the thesis shall be revised.
  - (iv) If the candidate fails to satisfy the viva-voce examiners or if there is a divergence of the opinion between the viva-voce examiners, the candidate may be allowed to appear at a second viva-voce examination on payment of the required fee, to be held not later than one year from the date of the list viva-voce examination. If at the second viva-voce examination, the candidate fails to satisfy the examiners, his/her thesis shall be finally rejected.

### **O.138**

If a candidate is permitted to improve and re-submit his/her thesis, he shall be required to submit it not earlier than six months and not later than twelve months from the date of such permission, along with the required fee.

The thesis so re-submitted shall be sent to the same panel of examiners including the third external examiner, if any, who evaluated the original one, for adjudication unless they or any of them expresses inability to adjudicate. The Vice Chancellor shall appoint in such contingency

another external examiner or examiners, as the case may be, from the original panel suggested by the supervisor.

The thesis shall be accepted if at least two external examiners and the supervisor recommend its acceptance.

**Explanation**

A candidate shall not be allowed to re-submit his thesis more than once.

**O.139**

The reports of the examiners on the thesis (including those of the viva-voce) shall be placed before the Board of Management for acceptance or rejection, as the case may be, The reports of the examiners including the viva-voce report may be accepted by the Vice-Chancellor on behalf of the Board of Management, which shall be re-reported by him to the Board of Management for confirmation.

*Note:* If anything is not covered in these rules, the matter shall be referred by the Vice Chancellor to the Research Board for consideration. The recommendations of the Research Board, if approved by the Academic Council and also by the Board of Management, shall form part of these rules.