



GONDWANA UNIVERSITY, GADCHIROLI

DIRECTION NO. 35 of 2018

AWARD OF DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF LETTERS (D.Litt.)/ DOCTOR OF SCIENCE (D.Sc.) DIRECTION, 2018.

(Issued under section 12(8) of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016).

Whereas, the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 has come into force w.e.f. 1st March 2017 i.e. Maharashtra Act No.VI of 2017 (hereinafter referred to as the Act);

AND

Whereas, the Act has been made applicable to the Gondwana University, Gadchiroli from the date of its enactment;

AND

Whereas, Board of Deans is the authority provided under section 36(2) of the Act which has to control, regulate and coordinate research activity to maintain standard of research in institutions;

AND

Whereas, research and Recognition Committee to be appointed by the Board of Deans as per provision made under section 37(2) (a) of the Act has a power to approve the topic of thesis in the subject, to recommend to the vice Chancellor a panel of referees for thesis for awarding doctorate and higher degree based on the criteria as approved by the Academic Council, to recommend to the Board of Deans, by following appropriate process names of Postgraduate teachers, research scientists in the recognized research and other institution, active research and development experts having of not less than ten years experience in research and development laboratories or centers in variety of industries, for recognition as approved research guide;

AND

Whereas, Ordinance No. 16/2010 in respect of ordinance to provide for the award of Degree of Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) /Doctor of Science (D.Sc.) is in existence in the university;

AND

Whereas, the University Grants Commission, New Delhi has issued Regulations 2009 and Regulations 2016 for improving the standard of Ph.D. degree awarded by the Universities and the Gondwana University, Gadchiroli has adopted the regulations.

AND

Whereas, amending ordinance No.16 of 2010 was time consuming process;

AND

Whereas, the modified norms and procedure was to be implemented immediately;

AND

Whereas, to implement modified Norms and Procedure for award of Degree of Doctor of Letters/ Doctor of Science, the subordinate legislation is required;

Now, therefore, I, Dr. N. V. Kalyankar, Vice-Chancellor, Gondwana University, Gadchiroli, in exercise of the powers vested in me under provision of sub-section (8) of section 12 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016, do hereby issue following Directions:-

1. This Direction shall be called "Award of Degree of Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.)/Doctor of Science (D.Sc.) Direction, 2018".
2. This Direction shall come into force with effect from the date of its issuance.
3. Provisions of Clauses (a) and (b), table and sub-paras of Para 3 of Ordinance No.16 of 2016, in respect of Ordinance to provide for the award of Degree of Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.)/Doctor of Science (D.Sc.) (hereinafter referred to as the main Ordinance) be

substituted by the provisions of following clauses, table and sub-
paras:-

“(a) Has been awarded the Ph.D Degree of Gondwana University, Gadchiroli or a Degree recognized as equivalent thereto in the faculty mentioned in Column No. 4 of the table hereunder or allied faculty from any other university in India or abroad, recognized by the “Gondwana University, Gadchiroli;

AND

Having five years post Ph.D. research contribution in the proposed area of the degree of Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) or Doctor of Science (D.Sc.), as the case may be, in the faculty concerned;

OR

(b) Having passed the Master’s Degree in the faculty mentioned in the table hereunder, from the Gondwana University, Gadchiroli or any other university in India or abroad, recognized by the Gondwana University, Gadchiroli;

AND

Having fifteen years post P.G. research contribution in the proposed area of the degree of Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.)/Doctor of Science (D.Sc.), as the case may be, in the faculty concerned.

TABLE

S.No.	Name of the Degree	Marathi Equivalent	Corresponding faculty
1	2	3	4
1	Doctor of Science (D.Sc.) (Science and Technology)	विज्ञान आणि तंत्रज्ञान पंडित	Science and Technology
2	Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) (Commerce and Management)	वाणिज्य व व्यवस्थापन पंडित	Commerce and Management
3	Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) (Humanities)	मानव विज्ञान पंडित	Humanities
4	Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) (Interdisciplinary Studies)	आंतरविद्याशाखा अभ्यास पंडित	Interdisciplinary Studies

Provided that a person who holds Ph.D. Degree or the Master's Degree from a University other than the Gondwana University, Gadchiroli shall have resided within the jurisdiction of the University for not less than 3 years immediately preceding the date on which he/she submits his/her application for registration for the Degree of Doctor of Letters or Doctor of Science, as the case may be. However, this condition of residence is not applicable to a person who is domicile of the region within the jurisdiction of the Gondwana University, Gadchiroli, and who has gone out of the jurisdiction of the Gondwana University, Gadchiroli for the purpose of profession or service."

4. Provision of para 4 of the main Ordinance shall stand as it is.
5. Provisions of paras 5 to 13 of the main Ordinance be substituted by the following paras 5, 6 and 7.:-
 - "5. Procedure of Registration for D.Litt./D.Sc.:-
 - i) An aspirant of the Degree shall submit an application in the prescribed form to the Director, Board of Examinations and Evaluation alongwith the printed summary of his/her research work which he/she wants to submit for registration for the award of Degree of Doctor of Letters (D.Litt.) or Doctor of Science (D.Sc.).
 - ii) The candidate shall submit to the Director, Board of Examinations and Evaluation nine printed copies of the summary alongwith soft copy stating its title and clearly indicating the originality of his/her work. In case the proposed Treatise(s) includes any part of his/her thesis which may have been submitted earlier for the award of the Ph.D. Degree or any other Research Degree, he/ she shall clearly so indicate. In case, the proposed Treaties(s) is an advancement

in learning over the previous work submitted by him/her, he/she shall specifically indicate accordingly.

- iii)** He/she shall also indicate the Expert Committee of the University to which the summary pertains and shall submit a signed declaration that the proposed Treatise(s) which is to be submitted, is not substantially the same as the one which he/she has already submitted to this University or any other University for the award of the D.Litt. /D.Sc. Degree or any other Degree.
- iv)** On fulfillment of the conditions laid down as above, the application and the summary shall be placed before the Expert Committee for evaluation and to determine the eligibility of candidate to submit the Treatise(s).
- v)** The expert committee shall consist of the following members, namely:-
 - (i)** Pro-Vice-Chancellor; (Chairperson)
 - (ii)** Dean of the concerned faculty (Member)
 - (iii)** Professor and Head of the University Department (if any) (Member)
 - (iv)** Three experts in the subject, not below the rank of Professor, who have successfully guided five Ph.D. students and have published research work in recognized/reputed National or International journals, anthologies, etc, from outside the university, to be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor, (Members).
 - (v)** The Director, Board of Examinations and Evaluation (Member-Secretary).
- vi)** The quorum for the meeting shall be of four members including minimum two experts (nominated as per para 5 v (iv) above).
- vii)** The expert committee will decide the eligibility of the candidate for submission of the Treatise by evaluating the

summary submitted by the candidate and personal interaction with the candidate.

viii) The recommendation of the expert committee will be communicated to the candidate after due approval by the Research and Recognition Committee in the subject or a group of subjects comprised in the Board of Studies.

6. Submission of Treatise and its Evaluation:-

- i)** Eligible candidate shall submit 5 copies of treatise(s) to the Director, Board of Examinations and Evaluation within three years from the date of communication of decision of eligibility alongwith the fees prescribed by the University-
- ii)** The Treatise(s) shall be placed before the Research and Recognition Committee of the Board of Studies concerned.
- iii)** The Research and Recognition Committee may in its discretion, if it finds necessary, co-opt an expert in the subject to which the Treatise pertains;
- iv)** The research and recognition committee of the Board of Studies concerned may recommend to the Vice-Chancellor a panel of referees of six persons for evaluation, in alphabetical manner alongwith the full addresses of the referees, of the treatise.

Provided that the panel shall include at least two referees within the state, at least two referees outside the state, and at least two referees outside India, as far as possible.

However, if referees outside India are not available for the subject in question, the panel shall be recommended so as to have minimum two referees within the state and four referees outside the State of Maharashtra. Further, if for a particular subject, referees from outside the state are not available, the panel may include all the six referees from the state for which reasons are to be recorded.

If the referees are not available within state and outside the country, then all referees may be appointed from other state of the country.

- v)** The panel of referees recommended by the Research and Recognition Committee, shall be placed before Vice-Chancellor who shall submit the same with the recommendations, if any, to the Board of Examinations and evaluation which shall then appoint referees, in order of preference, category wise.

The panel to be appointed by the Board of Examinations and Evaluation shall consist of three referees out of the panel recommended by the Vice-Chancellor.

- vi) (a)** Office of the D.Litt./D.Sc. Section shall inform the referees by Registered Post about their appointment(s) alongwith copy of summary of Treatise and request for sending the consent in the prescribed format, in any case within a period of 30 days from the date of receipt of the communication.

(b) In the event the consent in writing from the referees are not received within the prescribed period of 30 days, the office shall send a reminder letter granting the grace period of 15 days.

(c) Where in spite of the reminder letter the consents are not received from concerned referees, the office after obtaining the orders from the Vice-Chancellor shall issue appointment letter to the next referees of the concerned category and shall simultaneously inform the earlier referees that their appointment be treated as cancelled.

- vii) (a)** After receipt of the consents from the referees, the treatise of the candidate shall be forwarded, by the office of the D.Litt./D.Sc. section, to the concerned referees within a period of 15 days from the date of receipt of the consent letters alongwith the copy of the ordinance and or Direction as well as the necessary forms for sending the evaluation reports.
- (b)** The concerned referees shall evaluate the treatise and send their detail evaluation reports to the university within a period of three months from the date of receipt of the treatise.
- (c)** In the event the evaluation reports are not received within the prescribed period, the office of D.Litt./D.Sc. section shall send a reminder letter to the referees requesting them to send their reports within the grace period of one month.
- (d)** If the referees fails to send the evaluation report within the grace period of one month the final letter shall be issued to the referees requesting them to send the evaluation report in any case within 15 days from the date of receipt of the second reminder letter.
- (e)** If the referees fails to send their evaluation report before the expiry of the extended period, the office of the D.Litt./D.Sc. section shall after obtaining the permission from the Vice-Chancellor send a letter to the next referees in the panel for sending their consent and shall follow the above procedure. The office shall also simultaneously communicate to the earlier referees that their appointment as referees be treated as cancelled.
- (f)** The evaluation reports received from all the three referees shall be opened simultaneously in presence of the Director, Board of Examinations and Evaluation and the Vice-Chancellor.

7. Award of Degree:

- (i)** Viva is not the mandatory condition for award of D.Litt./D.Sc.. However, if all or any of the referee ask for the viva then viva shall be arranged on the convenient date of referee(s).
- (ii)** The candidate shall be declared eligible for the award of D.Litt./D.Sc. if all the three referees recommend the acceptance of the Treatise.
- (iii)** If any referees recommends revision of the Treatise then the candidate shall submit revised treatise (five copies) within 12 months from the date of the communication by the office of D.Litt./D.Sc. section and the revised treatise shall be sent to the referees(s) who have suggested revision.
- (iv)** The office of the D.Litt./D.Sc. section shall place the original reports for acceptance by the Board of Examinations and Evaluation within 15 days from the date of receipt of the last report.
- (v)** After acceptance of the reports by the Board of Examinations and Evaluation or on behalf of Board of Examinations and Evaluations by the Vice-Chancellor in terms of the provisions of section 48(2) of the Act, the office of the D.Litt./D.Sc. section shall issue the notification declaring the candidate eligible for award of D.Litt./D.Sc. degree in the faculty concerned within 15 days from the date of acceptance as above.
- (vi)** The D.Litt./D.Sc. degree in the faculty concerned shall be conferred on the candidate in the ensuing convocation of the university”.

Gadchiroli.

Date :- 13 /11/2018.


(Dr. N. V. Kalyankar)
Vice-Chancellor