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ORDINANCE

Of Degree of
Ayurveda Vidyavaridhi

w.e.f. December, 2021

{Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Ayurveda}

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1. INTRODUCTION:

PREAMBLE

Shri Krishna AYUSH University is committed to promote research in the field of Indian System of Medicine & Allied Sciences. The Degree of **Ayurveda Vidyavaridhi / Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Ayurveda** are the doctorate degree awarded by the University for Original Contribution to knowledge.

The Ph. D. degree will be awarded to a candidate, who, as per these regulations, has submitted a thesis based on original research work done by him / her in any particular discipline or interdiscipline, contributing to the advancement of knowledge or to innovative methods of application of existing knowledge, so as to contribute to the betterment of lives of the people and has had the thesis approved by designated examiners.

SHORT TITLE AND COMMENCEMENT:

These Regulations shall be called Ayurveda Vidyavaridhi / Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D. Ayurveda) Degree Regulations 2020 of Shri Krishna AYUSH University, Kurukshetra. (Updated w.e.f. December, 2021)

These Regulations shall come into force with effect from the date of approval from competent University Authority.

DEFINITION

The definitions are:

- i) **Interdisciplinary Research:** Research conducted between two or more disciplines out of which one discipline (Ayurveda) shall be of the University.
- ii) **Research Supervisor:** Research Supervisor means the recognized Research Supervisor of this University.
- iii) **Research Co – Supervisor:** Research Co - Supervisor shall be from same specialty or from different specialty, from the same institution or different institution of this University or other University / college, having area of expertise related to the topic of the Ph.D. Scholar.
- iv) **Full Time Ph.D. Scholar:** The research scholar who on selection from other institution / college and / or is being supported with / without a fellowship / scholarship, pursues his research work only, leading to Ph.D. Degree as a full time research scholar without performing any other Job or assignment.
- v) **Part Time Ph.D. Scholar:** The research scholar who is already in service as a Faculty Member / Employee / Scientist in the University or in a different institutions and pursues his research work leading to Ph.D. degree as a part time research scholar in the University in addition to performing his / her duties as his / her workplace and designation.

OBJECTIVES

- i) To award the Degree of Ayurveda Vidyavaridhi / Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Ayurveda.
- ii) To develop knowledge of high standard based on extensive research of available information and emerging trends in Ayurveda.
- iii) To promote research in Ayurveda and its allied Subjects.

NOMENCLATURE OF THE DEGREE

After fulfilling all the requirements, the degree shall be awarded namely Ayurveda Vidyavaridhi / Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Ayurveda in the concerned subjects. The degree certificate shall include the subject of speciality.

2. CONSTITUTION OF COMMITTEES

The following committees will govern the Ph.D. course:

A. Departmental Research Advisory Committee (DRAC)

Constitution of DRAC (Minimum 3 Members)

The DRAC is to be proposed by the Chairman of the concerned Department and approved by the Dean of the Faculty.

- i. All registered Research Supervisor/s of the concerned Department. (Senior shall be the Chairman).
- ii. All other members of the department having eligibility of Research Supervisor.
- iii. If number is less than three (3) then can be taken from allied Departments or from other Universities / Institutes having eligibility of Research Supervisor.

Functions

- i. To review the research proposal and finalize the topic of research;
- ii. To guide the research scholar to develop the study design and methodology of research and identify the course(s) that he/she may have to do.
- iii. To periodically review and assist in the progress of the research work of the research scholar.

A research scholar shall appear before the Departmental Research Advisory Committee (DRAC) once in six months to make a presentation of the progress of his/her work for evaluation and further guidance. The six-monthly progress reports shall be submitted by the Departmental Research Advisory Committee (DRAC) to the University with a copy to the research scholar.

In case the progress of the research scholar is unsatisfactory, the Departmental Research Advisory Committee (DRAC) shall record the reasons for the same and suggest corrective measures. If the research scholar fails to implement these corrective measures, the Departmental Research Advisory Committee (DRAC) may recommend to the University with specific reasons for cancellation of the registration of the research scholar.

B. Institutional Ethical Committee (IEC)

The basic responsibility of an IEC is to ensure a competent review of all ethical aspects of the project proposals received and execute the same free from any bias and influence that could affect their objectivity. The IECs should specify in writing the authority under which the committee is established, membership requirements, the terms of reference, the conditions of appointment, the offices and the quorum requirements.

Constitution of IEC

- i. Chairperson (Should preferably be from outside the University to maintain the independence of the committee).
- ii. 1-2 basic scientists
- iii. 2 Clinicians from various institutes, one out of which should be from respective stream.
- iv. One legal expert or retired judge.
- v. One social scientist / representative of non – govt. voluntary agency.
- vi. One philosopher / ethicist / theologian.

- vii. One lay person from the community.
- viii. Member Secretary (Dean Academics Affairs)
- ix. One Expert member of Society

The member secretary should conduct the functioning of the Committee. Other members should be a combination of medical/non-medical, scientific and non-scientific persons including lay person to reflect the differed viewpoints.

Review Procedures

Review by IEC

The Ethics Committee should review every research proposal on human participants within reasonable period of time. It should ensure that a scientific evaluation has been completed before ethical review is taken up. The Committee should evaluate the possible risks to the participants with proper justification, the expected benefits and adequacy of documentation for ensuring privacy, confidentiality and justice issues. The ethical review should be done through formal meetings and should not resort to decisions through circulation of proposals.

Rest of guidelines for the IEC will be as per CCRAS Guidelines as available from time to time.

C. University Research Committee (URC)

The URC should provide complete and adequate review of the research proposal submitted to them. The meeting will held periodically at frequent intervals to review new proposals, evaluate annual progress of ongoing ones and assess final reports of all research activities involving human being through a previously scheduled agenda.

Constitution of URC

- i. Chairperson (Vice-Chancellor of the University).
- ii. 1-2 basic scientists
- iii. Department representative (one from each department)
- iv. One legal expert
- v. Member Secretary (Dean Academic Affairs)
- vi. Finance Officer
- vii. Two researcher from other Institution / University

The member secretary should conduct the functioning of the Committee.

Review by URC

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- i. The URC will approve the research proposals of the research scholars.
- ii. URC will decide on all the matters related to Ph.D. Course, referred to it by the Ph.D. Cell / DRAC / IEC.
- iii. URC will approve the report of DRAC / Examination panel / Final Viva Voce for award of Ph.D. degree to the candidate.

3. ADMISSION PROCESS TO Ph.D. COURSE

The university will publish a notification of Admission in at least two National Newspapers and on University Website.

1. The Prospectus and application form will be available at University Website.
2. The candidate has to submit the Application Form along with the Relevant Documents and Fees as prescribed in the Prospectus.
3. The candidates have to submit the No Objection Certificate (NOC) from the Head of the Institute at the time of admission viva – voce / interview.

A) Eligibility criteria for enrollment:

Candidate seeking admission to the Ayurveda **Vidyavaridhi / Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) Ayurveda** programme shall fulfill the following eligibility criteria:

1. A candidate having regular Post Graduate Degree in Ayurveda {MD/MS (Ayurveda)} in concerned / allied subject from a recognized Institute.
2. Along with the qualification as mentioned above candidates has to qualify one of the test as below:
 - a. AYUSH – NET (having Valid Period)
 - b. Research Entrance Test (RET) of Shri Krishna AYUSH University, Kurukshetra (**SKAUK**).
3. The candidates have the qualification as mentioned against serial no. 1 and 2 above have to appear for the Viva – Voce / Interview.
4. Reservation policy will be adopted as per Haryana Govt. Norms.

Research Entrance Test (RET) of SKAUK

The University shall organize a written Research Entrance Test (RET) for the purpose of admission to Ph.D. Programme.

Pattern of question paper as stated below:-

	Particulars	Marks	Duration
Paper -1	Research Methodology & General Aptitude	50	1 Hour
Paper -2	Subject knowledge test (based on post graduate specialization)	50	1 Hour
	Total	100	

The entrance test for the Ph.D. programme shall be of multiple choice Questions for **100 marks** and of 2 hours duration.

Viva – Voce / Interview

An interview / viva-voce will be organized by the University to discuss their research interest / area through a presentation before a duly constituted Committee.

- a. The interview / viva voce shall also consider the following aspects, viz. whether the candidate possesses the competence for the proposed research;
- b. the research work can be suitably undertaken at the University
- c. the proposed area of research can contribute to new / additional knowledge.

The Interview / Viva – Voce will be of 50 Marks.

The minimum passing marks for the entrance test (AYUSH – NET or RET of SKAUK) and Viva – Voce / interview is 50% for General category Candidates and 45% for reserve category Candidates.

B) Declaration of result

The University will publish the common merit list as per schedule mentioned in the prospectus on its official website.

C) Admission, payment of fees & Allocation of Research Supervisor:

- a) After declaration of Entrance Test result, qualified candidates are required to submit a registration form along with Provisional registration fee as prescribed within the period prescribed by University from date of declaration of Entrance Test Result.
- b) The process of admission completes only when a selected candidate has deposited the prescribed fees for Provisional registration.
- c) After submission and verification of all eligibility documents and payment of the prescribed fee by the due date, the provisional admission would be confirmed by University.
- d) If the candidate fails to submit his joining report and fee within prescribed time, it will be assumed that the candidate is not interested in the Ph. D. registration and his / her registration deemed to be considered as cancelled. Communication in this regard shall be issued by University.
- e) The allocation of Research Supervisor for a selected research scholar shall be decided by the University Teaching Department under the chairmanship of HOD depending on the number of scholars per Research Supervisor, the available specialization among the Research Supervisor and research interests of the scholars as indicated by them at the time of interview / viva voce. The allotment of the Research Supervisor will be done at the time of provisional registration.
- f) After the provisional registration the candidate has to deposit the fees of the course work as per schedule / before commencement of classes of course work.
- g) Six Months (One Semester) Ph.D. Course work is compulsory after completion of Ph.D. course, the scholar has to appear for the Course Work examination. The research scholar shall secure minimum 55% marks to be considered eligible to proceed with the research work.
- h) The registration of candidates for Ph.D. programme shall be considered as provisional till the candidate successfully completes Ph.D. course work.
- i) The successful candidates have to deposit the annual Tuition Fee thereafter his registration will be confirmed.
- j) The University will maintain the list of all the Ph.D. registered students on its website on year-wise basis. The list shall include the name of the registered candidate, topic of his/her research, name of his/her supervisor/co-supervisor, date of enrolment/registration.

4. Research Plan Proposal:

1. The Research protocol (synopsis) of the registered candidates must be presented and discussed in the meeting of the DRAC to ensure that the design of protocol fulfills the statistical requirements, before it is finalized. The need for consideration of the protocol by Institutional Ethics Committee must also be considered. The protocol (synopsis) along-with report of DRAC must be submitted to the Ph.D. Cell.
2. The Ph.D. Cell, while forwarding the protocols to the Member Secretary IEC shall certify that the Research protocol (synopsis) fulfills all the requirements stipulated by Ordinance.
3. The Member Secretary IEC shall put the protocol before the Institutional Ethics Committee (IEC) to obtain clearance from it before

the consideration of University Research Committee (URC) for Final approval.

4. In case there is any observation(s) of the University Research Committee (URC). The protocols would be referred back to supervisor with the observations of University Research Committee (URC), Ph.D. Cell, for suggested clarifications / modifications within specified time frame. The research protocols (Synopsis), revised research protocols (Synopsis) and related matters would be re-submitted to DRAC for consideration and approval.
5. Once the title for Research Protocol is approved by the **URC** of the University, the student shall not be allowed to change the title of the proposed Research Protocol of work without permission of the **URC**.
6. Ten copies of the synopsis and Soft Copy in PDF Format is to be submitted to the Ph.D. Cell.
7. After approval of University Research Committee the same will be submitted to Vice-Chancellor for approval.
8. The University shall display the list of approved synopsis of Research Protocol on its website.

5. DURATION

1. Ph. D. programme shall be for a minimum duration of three years, including Course work. If a candidate fails to submit Thesis at the end of stipulated time, he/ she may grant an extension of upto 2 years (One year at a time) for the submission of thesis. If a candidate fails to submit the thesis within the extended period he/ she may be given additional one year extension for submitting the thesis thus the total period for submission of thesis counted from the date of his/ her admission does not exceed six years. The actual term of selected Ph. D. scholar shall be deemed to start from the date of provisional registration.
2. After extended period no further extension shall be granted at any circumstances and if the Ph.D. Scholar wishes to pursue the Ph.D. course, he shall have to register again as a fresh candidate following due procedure including Research Entrance Test.
3. Provided further that, women candidates may be granted Maternity & other related leave as per Haryana Govt. Norms.
4. Notwithstanding anything contained in this Ph. D ordinance or in any other Rule or Regulation, for the time being in force, the University shall not conduct Ph. D Programme through distance education mode.

6. Eligibility criteria for Research Supervisor/ Research Co-Supervisor:

A regular, full time faculty member concerned or allied subject / department of Shri Krishna AYUSH University:

- a. Professor having PG Degree in concerned or allied subject, having five publications in the refereed Journals.
- b. Associate Professor, having PG Degree, with Ph.D. Degree having two publications in the refereed Journals.
- c. Assistant Professor, having PG Degree, with Ph.D. Degree having 05 Years of Teaching Experience and with two publications in refereed journals.

Note: Provided that in areas/disciplines where there is no or only a limited number of refereed journals, the Institution may relax the above condition for recognition of a person as Research Supervisor with reasons recorded in writing.

- d. Research, Academic and Non-Academic Officers of the University, who hold Ph. D. degree alongwith five research publications, may also be consider for appointment as Research Supervisor / Co – Supervisor of Ph.D. scholars provided the professional qualification and experience of such officers is found to be academically relevant to the research area of the Ph.D. scholar by the concerned URC.
- e. In case of topics which are of inter-disciplinary nature where the Department concerned feels that the expertise in the Department has to be supplemented from outside, the Department may appoint a Research Supervisor from the Department itself, who shall be known as the Research Supervisor, and a Co-Supervisor from outside the Department/ Faculty/College/Institution on such terms and conditions as may be specified and agreed upon by the consenting Institutions/Colleges.
- f. Faculty / Officers appointed at this university on deputation from any recognized Institute / University can also apply to supervise Ph.D. candidate, if eligible.
- g. After getting approval of the Research protocol (Synopsis) from IEC and URC the research supervisor will continue to supervise the candidate till the completion of research work irrespective of his/ her shifting from the University.
- h. The teachers of the University shall also be permitted to Supervise Ph. D. scholars admitted in other Universities of National importance, provided that :
 - i. There is a vacancy with the Supervisor under whom the candidate intends to work.
 - ii. The sponsoring university seeks prior permission in the matter and the concerned URC approves it.
- i. In exceptional cases a faculty with PG Degree & having expertise of the Research Area but without Ph.D. may also be considered as Co-supervisor subject to recommendations of the DRAC and approval of URC.
- j. The outside Faculty members, who want to become Co – Supervisor needs to apply to the Department concern and DRAC along with its recommendations forward to Ph.D. Cell for Recognition and registration as Co – Supervisor.
- k. Guide may be from the same department or from the allied department subjects to the availability of seats and candidates. The first preference will be given to the candidates of the concerned department.

7. Quota of Ph. D. Scholars:

The maximum number of candidates who can be supervised by a faculty member at any time shall be as follows: (cannot be admitted more than 50% in one academic year, relaxation may be provided by the Vice – Chancellor on recommendation of Department Concern).

**Professor – 8,
Associate Professor – 6,
Assistant Professor – 4,**

8. Change of Research Supervisor

The change of Research Supervisor is permissible by Vice Chancellor on the recommendations of DRAC under intimation to URC.

9. COURSE WORK:

Ph. D. Course work

The Ph. D. course work is compulsory. The minimum attendance of 75% is mandatory to appear in the Course Work Examination.

- a. After completion of Ph.D. course work, the scholar has to appear for the Ph.D. Course Work examination.
- b. The research scholar shall secure minimum 55% marks to be considered eligible to proceed with the research work.
- c. The registration of candidates for Ph.D. programme shall be considered as provisional till the candidate successfully completes Ph.D. course work of one semester duration. (Six months).

The Pattern of Ph. D. Course Work Examination:

- a. Paper I Research Methodology and Biostatistics - 100 Marks
- b. Paper II Recent Advances in the concerned specialty – 100 marks
- c. Paper III Presentation & Discussion - 50 Marks (DRAC Presentation for finalization of Topic and Synopsis).

In case of failure in Ph. D. Course Work exam:

- a. If any research scholar fails to qualify to appear for the Ph.D. Course Work Examination, the candidate should undergo the course for a further period of six months by paying Course Work Fee again. At the end of the prescribed period, he/she shall be examined again, if found fit, he/she shall be permitted to proceed with the research work.
- b. If any candidate does not get 55% marks in the Course Work Examination, then he / she shall have to appear again in Course Work Examination by paying Examination fee as prescribed time to time.
- c. A research scholar who does not qualify even at the second attempt shall not be permitted to continue his/her research work and his/her provisional registration shall be cancelled by the University and fee deposited by him / her will be forfeited.
- d. The Ph.D. Course Work examination shall be held twice in a year.

10. SUBMISSION AND EVALUATION OF THESIS:

- a. Prior to the submission of the Thesis, the scholar shall make a presentation in front of DRAC, all faculty members and other research scholars. The feedback and comments obtained from them may be suitably incorporated into the draft synopsis / thesis in consultation; the candidate shall be eligible to submit the final thesis.
- b. The candidate shall submit six hard copies of the final thesis along with two compact disks containing soft copies in PDF format, and 10 copies of the summary of the thesis along with a Certificate for successful Pre-submission seminar, along with a covering letter by the head of the department.
- c. The color of the title cover of the thesis shall be *Saffron*.
- d. The thesis shall be typed in Times New Roman font, in the font size 12, in one & half spacing on A – 4 size paper. It shall be well bound. Spiral binding thesis shall not be accepted. For Devanagari scripts Krutidev10 fonts, for Sanskrit text the compatible font t KrutiDev 10 in the font size of 14 with 1.5 line spacing should be used or as amended by the Ph.D. Cell time to time.
- e. The prescribed fees for evaluation shall be paid by the candidate at the time of submission of his Ph. D. thesis. The thesis shall include

Certificate from the Research Supervisor and a declaration from the Ph. D. scholar stating that the work reported in the thesis is original work carried out by the Ph. D. scholar himself and that the Research work from other sources has not been included, except the citation or examples quoted. The Thesis shall also include a Certificate of the Research Supervisor and a declaration by the candidate that there is no plagiarism.

- f. The Research Thesis may also accompany with the plagiarism certificate issued by the Librarian of the University.
- g. The material which has been obtained from the other sources shall be duly acknowledged in the Thesis by the Ph. D. scholar. If the material obtained from the other sources has not been duly acknowledged, then he shall be held responsible for Plagiarism.
- h. Ph.D. scholars shall publish at least two research papers in Refereed journal and make three paper presentations in conferences / seminars out of which one at least is of international level before the submission of the Ph. D thesis and produce evidence for the same in the form of presentation certificates and/or reprints, before the submission of Ph. D. thesis.

11. Progress Report:

- a. The DRAC shall monitor the academic / research progress of each Candidate. For this purpose, the candidate shall submit a progress report on a prescribed format in triplicate, at the end of each semester to DRAC duly signed by the Supervisor.
- b. The candidate shall make presentation on the progress of his/her research work through a seminar in front of DRAC, all faculty members and other research scholars. DRAC shall evaluate the progress made by the candidate. In case of adverse remarks / report the same may be communicated to URC for approval.
- c. In case of final submission the report of DRAC will be final and process of evaluation of thesis be initiated.

12. EXAMINATION:

Appointment of Examiners:

- a. The DRAC Chairman shall propose a panel of examiners of at least eight experts from within the Country in the area of the Ph. D. Thesis for consideration of Vice – Chancellor immediately after the pre-submission seminar of the candidate through Controller of Examinations.
- b. The panel shall not include the names of the Research Supervisor, Co-Research Supervisor and member of DRAC/IEC/URC. In the case of a research scholar who has done any part of his/her work in another institution, the panel of examiners shall not include any person working in that institution. The panel shall not include the name/ names of any person/persons with whom the candidate has published a research paper.
- c. The Panel of Examiners shall be considered and approved by the Vice - Chancellor. All the examiners as listed in the panel shall be from the specific area of research work and if required, the Vice - Chancellor may modify the panel.
- d. The Controller of Examinations shall communicate each examiner, by e-mail or by post or by telephonic communication or by any means as approved by the University. It shall be mandatory for the Examiner to

communicate acceptance or non-acceptance of his appointment to the Controller of Examinations. If no communication is received from the examiner within a period of two weeks from the date of communication, it shall be treated as cancellation of his appointment and the University shall appoint another examiner from the existing panel of examiners.

- e. In case of acceptance of examiner-ship for assessment, the Controller of Examinations shall forward the Thesis along with summary thereof to such examiners.

Examiners report:

- a. The respective examiner shall independently send his THESIS assessment report, to the Controller of Examinations within thirty days from the date of receipt of the thesis. If any examiner fails to do so, the Controller of Examinations shall, immediately, after the expiry of the said period, request him to submit the report within a period of fifteen days. If the concerned examiner fails to comply within the extended period, the Vice-Chancellor shall cancel his appointment and a new Examiner shall be appointed from the existing panel of Examiners.
- b. The examiners shall submit the Research Thesis assessment report and shall make one of the following recommendations, namely :-
 - a) The Research Thesis is acceptable for the award of the Ph. D. degree.
 - b) That the Research Thesis is acceptable, subject to revision of certain points as suggested by the Examiner.
 - c) The Research Thesis is not acceptable, in which case the examiner must mention precise reasons in writing, for the non-acceptance.
- c. In the case of suggestions by the examiner(s), the candidate shall be advised to revise the Research Thesis, in the light of points raised in the Research Thesis assessment report and to re-submit it to the University, within the period of three months for its further submission to the examiners who have suggested the changes. The examiners shall re-submit their report within fifteen days.
- d. If both the external examiners recommend for acceptance of the Research Thesis for the award of the Degree, the Research Thesis shall be accepted and it shall be processed for Open Viva Voce and Defence of the Research Thesis.
- e. In case, out of the two external examiners one of the external examiners has given an unfavorable or non-acceptance or rejection report. Then, the Vice-Chancellor shall get the Research Thesis examined by an additional examiner, from the panel of examiners. If the additional examiner also gives an unfavorable or non-acceptance or rejection report, the candidate shall be deemed to fail and it shall be informed accordingly to the candidate and then the registration of the candidate shall be declared ineligible for the award of the Degree.
- f. Review of examiners report in case the Research Thesis is rejected, the Vice-Chancellor shall have the power to constitute an independent three member review panel to investigate the cause of rejection of Research Thesis. The review panel shall examine the research work and the examiners' report thereon to submit their findings to the Vice Chancellor for future improvements. It may also examine the matter to suggest as to whether the research scholar can further work on the same topic to rebuild his/her initial work and the correct course of action for achieving that and time frame needed for resubmission of

- his/her Research Thesis without exceeding the total time period prescribed for submission of Research Thesis in these ordinances.
- g. After the reports from both the examiners are received, the Controller of Examinations shall inform the DRAC for appropriate action to conduct open Viva – Voce of candidate.

13. OPEN VIVA VOCE AND DEFENSE OF THE THESIS:

On receipt of positive recommendation reports from any two examiners for the award of Ph. D. Degree the following committee will conduct the Open Viva – Voce as follows –

- a) DRAC of the department Chairman of DRAC will chair the Viva – Voce.
- b) One external examiner who has examined and recommended acceptance of the Research Thesis shortlisted by Vice – Chancellor on proposal of Controller of Examinations.

All the members of DRAC, other faculty members and research scholars of the University shall attend the Open Viva – Voce.

- A. The Controller of Examinations shall communicate with the Chairman of DRAC, for conducting the Viva-Voce. The DRAC shall be provided with the reports of all the examiners before the Viva-Voce in confidential Envelope to be opened during viva - voce.
- B. Candidate shall be required to defend his/her Research Thesis in Viva-Voce.
- C. The date, time and venue of the Viva-Voce with other necessary details shall be adequately notified by the department so as to enable other faculty members and students to attend it.
- D. In the case of co-Research Supervisor, if any, may be invited for the Viva-Voce to attend Viva - Voce.
- E. The DRAC shall submit a comprehensive report to URC on the performance of the candidate at the Viva-Voce, including the discussions over various points raised. The DRAC shall recommend one of the following:
 - a. That the degree be awarded,
 - b. That the candidate be re-examined in a second Viva-Voce,
 - c. That the degree is not awarded and the Research Thesis be rejected.
- F. If the DRAC recommends that the degree be awarded, the candidate shall submit two hardbound copies of the Research Thesis, along with 2 corresponding soft copy versions of the Research Thesis in CDs, one for keeping in the SHRI KRISHNA AYUSH UNIVERSITY library of the University and the other for the departmental library.
- G. If the DRAC recommends for a second Viva-Voce, it shall be conducted normally after a period of one month but within three months from the date of the first Viva-Voce.

14. AWARD OF Ph. D. DEGREE:

- a. URC shall give final approval for the award of a Ph.D. degree on the basis of performance in the viva voce examination and DRAC reports.
- b. The Registrar shall publish the result and issue provisional degree in accordance with the decision of the URC.
- c. The year of award of the Ph. D. degree shall be the same as the year of approval of the Research Thesis by DRAC, if the Research Thesis is accepted without revision. If the Research Thesis is recommended for revision, the year of award of the Ph. D. degree shall be the year of submission of revised Research Thesis.

- d. The Ph. D. degree certificate shall mention the title of the Research Thesis, the subject of Ph.D. of his / her research and the Faculty in which the candidate was admitted for the Ph. D. program.

15. Depository with INFLIBNET

Following the successful completion and award of provisional degree institute shall submit an electronic copy of the thesis to the INFLIBNET for hosting the same so as to make it accessible to all Institutions / Colleges.

16. FEES PAYABLE:

Fee Structure for Ph. D Course:

Sr. No.	Fee	Amount
1	Registration Fee (One time): (15%) of the Annual Tuition Fee, Payable for the first year only	7,500/-
2	Ph. D Course Fee	20,000/-
3	Annual Tuition Fee (Per year)	50,000/-
4	Thesis Submission Fee	10,000/-
5	Final Examination Fee	10,000/-
6	In addition to Annual Tuition fee of Rs. 50,000/- per year the following extension fee shall be paid, if extension is sought after 3 years.	Extension of 1 st year = 10,000/- Extension of 2 nd year = 20,000/- Extension of 3 rd year = 30,000/-

Change in fee structure may be amended by University from time to time.

17. REDRESSAL OF DISPUTE:

In case the Research scholar is unable to do his Research work due to any dispute between a Research scholar and his Research Supervisor, or the dispute regarding admission or any other dispute concerned with research work, the Redressal Committee consisting of the following, shall examine the matter after hearing both the parties and report to the Vice Chancellor, whose decision shall be final, namely –

- The Dean of the concerned faculty – Chairman
- One subject Expert, to be nominated by the Vice Chancellor-Member
- One member of Academic Council nominated by the Vice Chancellor-Member
- Registrar - Member Secretary

18. UNFAIR MEANS AND PLAGIARISM:

- In case a Ph. D. candidate is found adopting or suspected of adopting unfair means or lifting of other's work and inserting it in his/her work without proper acknowledgement, credit and reference, such penal action shall be taken by the University as may be necessary to uphold the sanctity and the integrity of the examination system/research work, and the credibility of the University.
- The University Standing Committee appointed by the Academic Council for this purpose shall take *suo-moto* cognizance of all such cases.

19. FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE (scholarship):

- The Ph. D. candidates, who are admitted as research scholars may/ may not be entitled to university scholarship of the amount as may be

decided by the Institute/ Faculty/ University and/or directed by the Government of India from time to time.

- b. This award shall be strictly subject to the fulfillment of all the conditions governing such awards.
- c. The maximum duration for scholarship which can be awarded to any Ph.D. student is 36 months.
- d. The award shall be on year-to-year basis subject to the satisfactory academic and research performance and satisfactory performance in the discharge of responsibilities assigned to him/her under the scheme.

20. CONCLUSION:

- a. Notwithstanding anything contained in these Ordinances all categories of the candidates shall be governed by the rules and procedures framed by the Academic Council, and are in force at that point of time.
- b. Any doubt or dispute about the interpretation of these Ordinances shall be referred to the Vice-Chancellor, whose decision, in his capacity as the Chairman, Academic Council, shall be final.

The Vice-Chancellor is authorized to:

- i) Modify, amend and/or delete any of the clauses given in the Ordinances or add any clause(s) to these Ordinances, which shall be reported to the Academic Council at its next meeting for approval.
- ii) Order a special procedure for the evaluation of a Ph. D. Thesis to protect the work of classified nature involving national security and sovereignty and/or to protect the intellectual property rights of the candidate, the Research Supervisor and the University.
- iii) Relax any of the provisions laid in these Ordinances for handling circumstances not covered by these Ordinances.