

# University of Kashmir, Srinagar

Minutes of the meeting of Board of Research Studies in Biological Sciences held on 11-10-2017 at 11:00 a.m. in the Committee Room of the Administration Block.

# Present:

- 01. Prof. K, I. Andrabi (Chairman)
  Vice-Chancellor
- 02. Prof. Zafar A. Reshi Dean Research
- 03. Prof. Azra N. Kamili Director, CORD & Dean, School of Biological Sciences
- 04. Prof. Irshad Ahmad Nawchoo. Nominee of Head, Deptt. of Botany
- 05. Head, Deptt. of Biochemistry
- 06. Head, Deptt. of Zoology
- 07. Head, Deptt. of Biotechnology
- 08. Co-ordinator, Nanotechnology

The Assistant Registrar (Research) was also present.

At the outset, Dean Research welcomed the members and requested Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor for his valuable introductory remarks. Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor desired that the quality of research should improve and efforts should be made to pursue such research themes that have direct relevance to society. After due deliberations it was felt that following be complied with:

- 1. The statutes governing Integrated Ph.D programme be followed in letter and spirit, particularly in respect of constitution of Research Progress Assessment Committee (RPAC) for assessment of work progress.
- 2. It should be ensured that the scholars maintain raw data which should be available on demand.
- 3. Scholars shall obtain Similarity Index Report from Nodal Officer (Librarian, Allama Iqbal Library) before applying for issuance of academic clearance.
- 4. An abridged one page synopsis that includes title, research questions/hypothesis/objectives and importance of work be included in the agenda, the detailed synopses be considered by the DRC and a copy of the same shall be kept available at the time of BORS.
- 5. Departments should explore possibility of co-supervisors for research scholars from premier Institutions such as IITs etc. It was strongly felt that co-supervision of only such teachers/scientists from outside the University should be sought/considered who bring certain expertise/experience that is not available in the University.
- 6. Heads of Deptts. shall arrange workshops for assessment of work problem/orientation to the scholars for preparation of synopsis.
- 7. Heads of Deptts/Deans of Schools shall ensure that there is no repetition in the topics chosen for research in the allied Centres/Deptts.

Subsequently agenda was taken up for discussion.

#### Item

No.01 Perused the action taken report on the minutes of the last meeting of the BORS in Biological Sciences held on 29-11-2014.

**Resolved that the** action taken report on the minutes of the last meeting of BORS in Biological Sciences held on 29-11-2014, be placed on record.

# Item

No. 02 Confirmation of the minutes of the BORS meeting held on 29-11-2014 in Biological Sciences (already circulated).

**Resolved that the** minutes of the last meeting of the BORS in Biological Sciences held on 29-11-2014, be confirmed.

#### Item

No. 03 Ratification of the action taken by Vice-Chancellor in having authorized Ms. Uzma Zehra, M.Phil Scholar Department of Botany to submit her dissertation late by six months i.e. upto 30<sup>th</sup> of September 2017.

**Resolved that** the action taken by the Vice-Chancellor in having authorized Ms. Uzma Zehra, M.Phil Scholar Department of Botany to submit her dissertation late by six months i.e. upto 30<sup>th</sup> of September 2017, **be ratified.** 

#### Item

No. 04 Consideration of fresh registration of M/S Mohammad Arief Zargar and Akhter Hussain Malik to Ph. D programme in the Deptt. of Botany on the already approved topics of research and supervisors allotted.

**Resolved that** matter be re-examined by DRC vis-à-vis relevance of the topics of research and allotment of supervisors. Recommendations of the DRC to be routed through Dean of the concerned School for approval of the competent authority.

# Item

No. 05 Consideration of the recommendations of DRC, CORD with regard to the request made by Ms. Snober Shah for keeping her registration to Ph. D programme in abeyance after relaxation of three months residency period.

**Resolved that** the matter be endorsed to Syndicate for consideration.

# Item

No. 06 Consideration of the request made by Head, Department of Bio-Technology for change of research topic, allotted to Ph. D scholar Ms. Zeenat Farooq.

**Resolved that** fresh topic of research i.e "Dissecting the role of Vgl 1 in transcriptional gene silencing" recommended by DRC be allotted to the scholar.

# Item

No. 07 Consideration of the requests made by Heads of Deptts. of Botany/Zoology Biochemistry/CORD, for grant of recognition as co-guides to supervise Ph.D scholars in the disciplines of Botany, Zoology, Biochemistry & CORD.

**Resolved that** only such Teachers/Scientists from Colleges/other institutions, who have been proposed as co-supervisors for the research scholars proposed for grant of registration in the agenda, be recognized. Accordingly following Teachers/Scientists recommended by DRC for co-supervision for the scholars, be recognized for co-supervision in the disciplines shown against each after they produce NOC's from their employers:

S. No	Name of Teacher	Discipline
01	<b>Dr. Reyazul Rouf Mir</b> Assistant Professor, Division of Genetics & Plant Breeding, Faculty of Agriculture, (SKUAST-K)	Botany
02	<b>Dr. Mehraj-ul-Din Shah</b> Assistant Professor, Division of Plant Pathology (SKUAST-K)	Botany
03	<b>Dr. F. A. Mohiddin</b> Assistant Professor, Plant Pathology, Division of Plant Pathology SKUAST-K	Botany
04	<b>Dr. Parvaiz Ahmad</b> Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Botany, S.P College Sgr.	Botany
05	Dr. Tanvir-ul-Hassan Dar Assistant Professor, Center for Biodiversity Studies School of Biosciences and Biotechnology Baba Ghulam Shah Badshah University Rajouri	Botany
06	Dr. Prashant Misra Assistant Professor, Plant Biotechnology Division CSIR Indian Institute of Integrative Medicine Canal Road, Jammu	Botany
07.	Mr. Manoj Prasad Staff Scientist-VI, National Institute of Plant Genome Research (NIPGR	Botany
08.	Dr. Nahida Tun Nisa Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Botany, Govt. College for Women, Sgr.	Botany
09	<b>Dr. Dalip Kumar Upreti</b> Chief Scientist, Plant Diversity Systematics and Herbarium Division CSIR National Botanical Research Institute UP	Botany
10.	Prof. Mumtaz-din-wani Senior Laproscopic & Minimal Access Surgeon, GMC sgr.	Biochemistry
11.	Dr. Roohi Ashraf Assistant Professor Biochemistry, GMC, Srinagar	Biochemistry
12.	<b>Dr. Saduf Ali,</b> Associate Professor, SKIMS, Soura	Biochemistry
13.	<b>Dr. Akhter Ali Khan</b> Associate Professor, SKUAST-K	CORD

#### Item

No. 08 Consideration of the request of three (03) Assistant Professors of Botany, School of Life Sciences Kargil Campus, one Assistant Professor, Department of Clinical Bio-Chemistry for recognition as guides to supervise Ph. D scholars in the disciplines of Botany and Bio-Chemistry.

**Resolved that** following teachers, recommended by DRC be recognized as supervisors to guide Ph.D/3-year Integrated Ph.D scholars in the disciplines shown against each:

S.	Name of Teacher	Discipline
No	-	_
01.	Nazima Rasool	Botany
	Assistant Professor, Botany	
	School of Life Sciences Kargil	
	Campus	
02.	Dr. Aijaz Hassan Ganai	Botany
	Assistant Professor, Botany	
	School of Life Sciences Kargil	
	Campus	
03.	Dr. Syed Hussain Mir	Bio-chemistry
	Assistant Professor	
	Clinical Bio-Chemistry	

# Item

No. 09 Considered the question of grant of registration in favour of the candidates listed in annexure A-E for pursuit of Ph. D/3-year Integrated Ph. D programme on whole-time/part-time basis, as detailed in the respective annexures against each candidate in the following disciplines comprised in the School of Biological Sciences:-

A. Zoology

B. Botany

C. CORD

D. Biotechnology

E. Biochemistry

**Resolved** that the candidates listed in annexure "A" to "E" be registered for pursuit of Ph. D/3-year Integrated Ph. D programme on whole-time/part-time basis subject to fulfillment of conditions (if any) as shown against each.

# T. Item

No. 01 Consideration of the request of four Assistant Professors working in the Deptt. of Nanotechnology for recognition as guides to supervise M.Phil/Ph. D scholars.

**Resolved that** following Assistant Professors be recognized as guides to supervise Ph. D scholars in the discipline of Nanotechnology from the dates they are confirmed as Assistant Professors:

- 1. Dr. Mushtaq A. Beigh
- 2. Dr. Faheem Arjamande Sheikh
- 3. Dr. Shafqat Majeed
- 4. Dr. Tariq Maqbool

# T. Item

No. 02 Consideration of the request made by Dr. Tabasum Rashid, Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Biochemistry, GMC, Sgr. for recognition as co-supervisor for guiding Ph. D scholars in the Deptt. of Biochemistry.

**Resolved that** the request be not agreed to.

# T. Item

No. 03 Consideration of the question of registration of M/S Naziya, Muniza Manzoor and Kulsum to Ph. D programme in Zoology and change of supervisors.

**Resolved that the c**andidates whose details are given below be registered for Ph. D programme in Zoology as recommended by DRC. However, they will work in CORD:

S. No.	Name of the candidate	Supervisor/	Proposed topic of research	Approved topic of research	Remarkş
01.	Ms. Naziya Khurshid Ph. D Whole-time Reg. No.21236-NW-2008	Dr. Hidayatullah Tak Dr. Ruqeya Nazir (Co-supervisor)	Phenotypic and Molecular Identification of GIT Parasites of Hangul Deer (Cervus hangul hanglu) in Dachigam National Park of Kashmir Valley	Morphological and Molecular Identification of GIT Parasites of Hangul Deer (Cervus hanglu hanglu) in Dachigam National Park of Kashmir Valley	
02.	Ms. Muniza Manzoor Ph. D Whole-time Reg. No.47488-W-2006	Dr. M. F. Fazili Dr. Md. Niamat Ali (Co-supervisor)	Ecology and Molecular Identification of Sympatric Woodpeckers in Dachigam National Park	Molecular Identification and Ecology of Sympatric Woodpeckers in Dachigam National Park	Topic modified.
03.	Ms. Kulsuam Ahmad Bhat Ph. D Whole-time Reg. No.52235-W-2008	Dr. Bilal Ahmad Prof. Bashir Ahmad Ganai (Co-supervisor)	Diet and Prey preferences of Carnivores through Scat Analysis in Dachigam National Park, Kashmir	Analysis of Diet and Prey preferences of Carnivores in Dachigam National Park, Kashmir	Topic modified.

# T. Item

No. 04 Representation of Prof. G. M. Shah and Prof. Ulfat Jan, Deptt. of Zoology alleging illegal shifting and registration of four I-Ph. D scholars of the Deptt. of Zoology in CORD.

Representation was read out during BORS meeting. HOD Zoology and Director CORD narrated reasons and facts responsible for shifting of the four I-Ph. D scholars from the Deptt. of Zoology to CORD. After threadbare discussion on the matter it was resolved that HOD Zoology and Director CORD shall submit their reports in writing for disposal of the representation.

# T. Item

No. 05 Consideration of the synopsis of Ms. Uzma Zehra, for registration to Ph. D programme under supervision/co-supervision of Dr. Manzoor Ahmad Shah/Prof. Zafar A. Reshi in the Deptt. of Botany.

**Resolved that** registration of the candidate to Ph.D programme be agreed to subject to the fulfillment of the eligibility criteria and requirements by the candidate and recommendations of DRC on the synopsis and title of research topic. Recommendations of DRC shall be routed through Dean of the School, for final approval of the competent authority.

# T. Item

No. 06 Consideration of the synopsis of Mr. Samiullah Rather for registration to Ph. D programme under supervision of Dr. A. A. Buhroo in the Deptt. of Zoology.

**Resolved that** Mr. Samiullah be registered to the Ph. D programme under the supervision of Dr. A. A. Buhroo subject to the recommendations of DRC on the synopsis and title of the research topic. Recommendations of DRC to be routed through Dean of the School for final approval of the competent authority.

The meeting terminated with a vote of thanks to the Chair.

Sd/-Dean Research

Sd/-Vice-Chancellor



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	information and necessary action to the									

Relevant documents of the scholars such as, joining reports/fee receipts/modified synopses/affidavits etc., may please be forwarded to this office for reckoning of the registration of the Research Scholars.

Assistant Registrar (Research)