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To : Heads of Departments/IDPs

Subject : Extension of financial support for PhD students beyond 5 years (2020–2021–I)

This is in reference to Letter No. MHRD/TS-1 F.No. 17-2/2014-TS-1, dated September 01, 2015, from MHRD, Govt. of India, on revision of rates of PhD scholarship in AICTE funded and Centrally Funded Technical Institutions under the Ministry of Human Resource Development. In this letter it was clarified that PhD students are to receive a fellowship (JRF/SRF) uniformly for a duration of 5 years, irrespective of their qualifying degree (BTech / MSc / MTech).

The current procedure for the extension of financial support beyond 5 years is as follows:

The student may be considered for the award of a **Research Studentship** beyond 5 years. This extension is given on a semester-to-semester basis (maximum up to one additional year) against the application of the student. The extension is based on recommendations of the Peer Review Committee/Doctoral Monitoring Committee in each case and is valid until the date approved for or the date of submission of the thesis, whichever is earlier.

The Heads of the Departments are requested to identify a Peer Review Committee/Doctoral Monitoring Committee for each student (if not in place already) and ensure that the report of the Peer Review Committee/Doctoral Monitoring Committee is submitted along with the recommendation for Research Studentship.

Please find enclosed the proforma for application. Copies of this may be made available to PhD students who wish to apply for Research Studentship. Please note that the student should fill up the form and submit it along with all the required enclosures to DPGC, who will then coordinate with supervisor, Head of the Department and the Peer Review Committee/Doctoral Monitoring Committee.

You are requested to please bring this information to the notice of all the concerned students and their thesis supervisors. In view of the COVID-19 Pandemic, the students will initiate the application process over e-mail. The form is available at the DOAA website.

The departments are requested to complete the process and send the completed application to the DOAA office by July 31, 2020. Applications received after the last date will not be considered.

(Achla M. Raina)

Enclosures: Proforma for application

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