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- Sub:** Maximum Period for Thesis Submission for Female and Persons with Disabilities Research Scholars reg...
Ref : 1. University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2022.
 2. Regulations Governing the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) -- Amended 2023,.

With reference to the aforementioned subjects and regulations, this is to inform to all concerned that the provisions governing the maximum timeline for the thesis submission shall apply to all Female Research Scholars and Persons with Disabilities (PwD) Research Scholars enrolled in Ph.D. / M.S. (Research) Programme, for both Full-Time as well Part-Time.

The standard maximum duration permitted for the submission fo the research thesis for both Full-Time and Part-Time Research Scholars shall be six (06) years from the date of their provisional registration.
 Female Research Scholars and Persons with Disabilities (with a certified disability of more than 40%) shall be granted an additional relaxation period of two (02) years over and above the standard six-year limit. This relaxation will be granted without the levy of any fine or penalty. Further female Research Scholars are eligible to avail themselves of Maternity Leave / Child Care Leave for a cumulative period of up to 240 days during the entire duration of the Ph.D. programme.
 To claim the disability-related extension, scholars must submit valid, prescribed disability certificates and supporting official documentation as mandated by University regulations.

The contents of this notification must be brought to the immediate attention of all Research Scholars, Research Supervisors, Chairpersons of University Departments, Heads of Research Centers, Principals of affiliated institutions for timely dissemination and necessary action.

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