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KAU-Acad- Modification in the mode of presentation and approval of technical programme of research work and conduct of defence seminar of M.Sc/Ph.D programme- Modified orders - Issued.

ACADEMIC WING

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Read: - 1. Minutes of the 131st meeting of Academic Council held on 22.02.2018

2. This office proceedings of even no. (iii) & dtd. 18.06.2018.

3. Minutes of the 132nd meeting of Academic council held on 28.09.2018.

ORDER

A proposal for Modification in the mode of presentation and approval of technical programme of research work and conduct of defence seminar of M.Sc./ Ph.D. programme was approved by the 60th meeting of the Board of Studies (Faculty of Agriculture) held on 24.10.2017 and was placed before the 131st meeting of Academic council held on 22.02.2018. The council has approved the same with effect from 2018 PG Admission with the following modifications:

1. In group (vi) Commerce and Banking, the term 'commerce' will be replaced by 'Co-operation'
2. These meetings will be co-ordinated by the Professor (R.C.) and will be chaired by the Dean / Assoc. Dean of the college. All Faculty members of the respective departments (under that group), advisory committee members, Director of Research, Director of Planning, Director of Extension, Director (Academic & P.G. Studies), or their representatives are to be present. HoD's of all other Depts. in the campus, Project co-ordinators and subject experts also will be invited. The terms 'ADR also will be invited for these meetings' is deleted.

Accordingly orders were issued Vide 2nd paper read above. While considering the confirmation of minutes the following modifications were also suggested and approved by the 132nd meeting of Academic council held on 28.09.2018, and the council has modified the decision taken in the 131st meeting of Academic council held on 22.02.2018 to the following extent.

(i) Added the terms "Respective Project Coordinators will also be invited during the presentation of the technical programme".

(ii) Invitation should be sent to the project coordinator concerned for the defense seminar and a copy of the thesis abstract should be given to Director of Research at the time of thesis submission.

In consonance with the decision of 132nd meeting of Academic council held on 28.09.2018, sanction is hereby accorded to effect the following modifications in the mode of presentation and approval of technical programme of research work and conduct of defence seminar of M.Sc./ Ph.D. programme with effect from 2018 PG admission onwards, in the Faculty of Agriculture.

Modification suggested	Revised modifications
(ii) Depending on the nature of work, the advisory committee can decide in which of the following ICAR grouping of disciplines the project has come. (i) Crop production (ii) Crop improvement (iii) Crop utilization (iv) Crop protection and (v) Social Sciences. The advisory committee can also decide in which of the 17 project coordination groups their project will come (For example a project under Post harvest technology may come under Crop production, improvement or utilization and in the PC group like vegetables or fruits etc.)	(ii) Depending on the nature of work, the advisory committee can decide in which of the following group of disciplines the project has come (i) Crop production (ii) Crop improvement (iii) Crop protection (iv) Horticulture (v) Social Sciences (vi) ACCER. The advisory committee can also decide in which of the 17 project coordination groups their project will come. Departments included under each group (i)Crop production- Agronomy, Soil Science & Agrl. Chemistry, Meteorology (ii) Crop improvement- Plant Breeding & Genetics, Seed Technology, Plant Physiology, Biotechnology (iii) Crop protection – Entomology, Plant Pathology, Nematology, Microbiology

	<p>(iv) Horticulture – Plantation Crops & Spices, Olericulture, Fruit Science, Post Harvest Technology, Floriculture & Landscaping</p> <p>(v) Social Sciences- Agrl. Economics, Agrl. Statistics, Agrl. Extension, Community Science</p> <p>(vi) Co-operation & Banking - Co-operation Management, Development Economics, Rural Marketing Management, Rural Banking & Finance Management.</p> <p>(vi) ACCER – Projects in ACCER.</p>
(iii) Instead of the special College Level Council (CLC), there will be five group meetings in each college based on the above grouping. The technical programme is to be presented in one of the group meetings.	(iii) Instead of the special CLC, meetings of the different groups will be convened in each college by the Dean/Associate Dean. The technical programme is to be presented in the concerned group meeting.
iv) These meeting will be convened by the Professor (R.C.) and will be chaired by a representative of the Director of Research. All staff members of respective departments (under that group) and advisory committee members are to be present in these meetings. The Associate Directors of Research also will be invited for these meetings	(iv) These meeting will be co-ordinated by the Professor (R.C.) and will be chaired by the Dean / Assoc. Dean of the college. All Faculty members of the respective departments (under that group) , advisory committee members, Director of Research, Director of Planning, Director of Extension, Director (Academic & P.G. Studies) and or their representatives and respective project co-ordinators are to be present. HOD of all other Depts. in the campus and subject experts may also be invited.

After approval in the group meeting, M.Sc. students have to submit ten copies of the finally corrected and duly signed copies of the technical programme to the Professor (R.C.) for obtaining the administrative and technical sanction from the Director of Research.

The FRC will be convened soon after the group meetings, (Preferably by the second month of second semester). The Ph.D. scholars have to submit sixty hard copies of their technical programme (group meeting approved) within a week to the Professor (R.C.) for forwarding to the members of the FRC. The FRC members can communicate their comments / remarks on these Ph.D. projects to the Professor (R.C.) and to the major advisors. The Professor (R.C.) will be presenting these comments to the FRC meeting along with the reply of the major advisor. No individual presentations of scientists will be made and final decision will be taken in the FRC meeting.

For getting the approval of these projects in the Academic council, all the Ph.D. Scholars will have to submit another forty copies of the corrected technical programme to the Professor (R.C.), immediately after the FRC.

Minor modifications in the Technical programme:

Permission to make minor modifications needed during the course of the research work can be granted by the Professor (R.C.) for both M.Sc. and Ph.D. students on the basis of the request of the advisory committee of a student.

This office proceedings no. Acad B2/2017/101/17145 (iii) dtd. 18.06.2018 stands modified to this extent.

// By Order of the Academic Council //


Director (Acad & PG studies)

To

1. All Deans/Associate Deans of all the colleges under KAU.
2. The Director of Research, KAU, Vellanikkara.
3. Special Officer, ACCER, Vellanikkara.

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