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SO to Pro-Rector Acad

Subject: **Standardization of Mandatory Requirements for Inclusion in PhD Thesis and Notification**

HEC letter No. 3(2)/DG (Stats)/HEC/2017/03 dated 16 January 2017 on the subject refers (copy enclosed)

1. HEC vide letter under reference has intimated that with effect from 01 February 2017, following documents as per attached format would be mandatory for inclusion in PhD Thesis:-
  - a. PhD thesis Author's declaration.
  - b. Plagiarism undertaking by the PhD Scholar.
  - c. Certificate of Approval of PhD thesis by Examination Committee.
2. To comply with HEC requirements, it is requested that with immediate effect above listed documents duly completed and signed by all concerned be made part of PhD Thesis and be inserted at the start of Thesis hard and soft copies. These are in addition to **PhD Thesis Acceptance Certificate** (as required vide NUST letter No. 0972/102/Exams/Thesis-Cert dated 23 December 2016) and the documents listed in NUST PhD Policy, please.
3. Acad Dte and PGP Dte only. It is requested that HEC required documents may suitably be incorporated in NUST PhD Policy for implementation with immediate effect.

  
Registrar  
(Engr. Salim Daud)



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No.3 (2)/DG (Stats)/HEC/2017/03

Dated: 16-01-2017

Subject: **Standardization of Mandatory Requirements for Inclusion in PhD Thesis and Notification.**

It has been observed with great concern that the standard for approval of PhD thesis and notification for award of PhD degree varies from university to university.

To resolve the issue once for all, following standardized minimum requirements for award of PhD degree have been approved by the competent authority to be fulfilled and should be part of PhD thesis:

- i) PhD thesis Author's declaration.
- ii) Plagiarism undertaking by the PhD Scholar.
- iii) Certificate of Approval of PhD thesis by Examination Committee.

Similarly draft Notification for award of PhD degree is enclosed for implementation. These minimum requirements for award of PhD degree, are mandatory for the PhD degrees awarded after 31<sup>st</sup> January, 2017. In case these minimum requirements are not met, name of PhD Awardee will not be entered in the PhD Country Directory (PCD), which is mandatory for attestation of PhD degree.

Enclosed specimen of:

- i) PhD thesis Author's declaration.
- ii) Plagiarism undertaking by the PhD Scholar.
- iii) Certificate of Approval of PhD thesis by Examination Committee.
- iv) Notification for award of PhD degree.

(Ahmad Yahya Khan)  
Director General (SIU)

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**Author's Declaration**

I \_\_\_\_\_ hereby state that my PhD thesis titled

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Or anywhere else in the country/world.

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## Plagiarism Undertaking

I solemnly declare that research work presented in the thesis titled

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I understand the zero tolerance policy of the HEC and University

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I undertake that if I am found guilty of any formal plagiarism in the above titled thesis even after award of PhD degree, the University reserves the rights to withdraw/revoke my PhD degree and that HEC and the University has the right to publish my name on the HEC/University Website on which names of students are placed who submitted plagiarized thesis.

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_

## Certificate of Approval

This is to certify that the research work presented in this thesis, entitled  
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was conducted by Mr. .... under the supervision  
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No part of this thesis has been submitted anywhere else for any other degree. This thesis is  
submitted to the..... (Name of Department of the University).....  
in partial fulfillment of the requirements for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Field of  
.....(Subject Name).....  
Department of .....  
University of:.....

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a) External Examiner 1: Name  
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