Guidelines for PhD Program for Working Professionals (Excluding Academic Staff)

- 1) Primary Eligibility Criteria
 - a) Reputation of the company or organization where the candidate is working.

• The companies (private/government), research organizations, Ministries of Central and State Governments wherein the candidate is presently employed should have well established reputation & image and possibly known to the faculty members of the department in which the candidate is desirous of seeking PhD admission.

• If this is an enterprise or company, it is expected that it should have a listing in the premier stock exchanges and should have an annual turnover of at least 10 crore rupees.

• List of the reputed companies/ organizations/ firms should be updated regularly at the departmental level to verify the credentials.

• In case the department is not sure about the company/organization, the decision will be taken by a committee consisting of the Dean, Head of the Department and the Supervisor or proposer.

- b) Defense or other ministries of the Government of India or any other government organizations;
- c) Established industrial research and development organizations;
- d) Autonomous bodies and public undertakings
- 2) Requisite Qualifications for all Discipline
 - a) Minimum eligibility criteria

Education Qualifications- as mentioned in Regulations

Experience- Minimum 05 Years regular services in the organization as mentioned above.

For all the disciplines: The candidate must meet the minimum eligibility criteria to be shortlisted for interview.

- b) Candidates need to provide a 'NO OBJECTION' certificate issued from their company/Organization in the prescribed format (Annexure-2)
- 3) Selection of the Candidate
 - a) Candidates who meet the above requirements should look out for prospective faculty members in the department where he/she is interested to register for his/her PhD degree.
 - b) A research proposal approved by the prospective supervisor must be submitted by the candidate at the time of the application.
 - c) The candidates fulfilling the above will have to appear for interview only along with other regular candidates appearing for PhD admissions.
- 4) Requirement of Courses & Examinations

- a) Working professionals have to attend the Pre- Ph. D. Course Work physically or may be allowed to attend online as decided by the DRC concerned. Other coursework requirement as mentioned in existing regulations shall be applicable.
- c) Physical Submission of semester progress report and presentation will be compulsory.
- d) The candidate shall have to spend at least 30 days per semester at GGV, interacting with his supervisor that may include working in the laboratory. During this period the student may stay at appropriate guest houses of the University on payment basis, subject to availability. If the student needs to spend extended period (beyond one month), GGV will extend hostel, library, outdoor medical and other facilities on payment basis.
- 5) RAC Formation and Registration

RAC will be constituted for such students as per provisions of the existing regulations. A person with the suitable background from the parent company may be appointed as the Co-Supervisor but not mandatory, if full fills the eligibility criteria.

6) Duration of PhD Program

The minimum duration of PhD program for such candidates is 3 years and the maximum tenure is 6 years from the date of enrolment/admission. Extension may be granted as per the provisions of Ph. D. Regulations.

7) Semester wise Progress Report

The candidate will have to submit a semester wise progress report and appear for seminars before DRC every year after his/her registration.

- 8) Synopsis and Thesis Submission
 - a) In order to become eligible for the submission of the synopsis Seminar, the candidate must have at least one publications in SCI journals/monographs.
 - b) Rest of the rules for synopsis, thesis submission/ viva-voce will be as per the existing Regulations of the University.
- 9) Fees- As decided and notified by the University from time to time. However

Tuition Fee- Rs. 40000.00 per semester + other fee per semester (Details are attached separately)

10) All other norms of the University regarding PhD students shall be applicable.