

Agenda items for the 9th PGC meeting are listed below:

1. To confirm the minutes of the 8th meeting of the PGC held on 10th July, 2015
2. To consider a proposal to make modification in the existing Guidelines for Ph.D. thesis evaluation as proposed below:
Existing clause : The guideline says both six and eight weeks for submission of report and 8 – 10 weeks for thesis defense date.
Proposed modification: To revise these dates after discussing it in a PGC meeting

Item 7 To review the existing guidelines for conduct of PhD thesis defense (**Annexure-I**) and “Final Viva Report Form” placed at **Annexure-II**

Item 11 To consider whether the Ph.d. students attending a Ph.D. thesis defense (viva- voce) can be allowed to sit and observe during question – answer session between the examiners and the Ph.D. student

3. To consider the issue related to Travel line and the budget for Ph.D. students who had joined earlier (Reference Chair, PGC’s emails dated 27.7.2015 /19/8/2015).
4. To discuss how to improve - yearly report + PPT to be submitted well in advance, individual comments by committee members to be sent before the meeting/presentation, and then a meeting to discuss the progress/presentation. (Reference Director’s email dated 12th Aug,15)

Item 8 To review the existing rules for annual reviews of PhD students in the light of following observations of Dr. Pushpendra Singh:

“-is it really helping anyone or is it just adding overhead. Most of the time committee members go with the adviser, then why not just be submit the grades and if a student has got an X then possibly his/her progress can be reviewed by a committee after giving 6 months to improve.”

5. To consider the maximum time limit for registration by Ph.D. students.

[At present a PhD student needs to register course work / research work credits every regular semester. For example, an X student has completed the required course work / research work credits by the end of his 10 semester i.e. in 5 years however he/ she will need more time towards submission of thesis. Whether in such a scenario he/she is required to register every semester after 5 years. If so, for how long?]

6. To discuss the adequacy of existing amount provided for supporting ORF (USD 6000).
7. Shifted above.

8. Shifted above
9. To discuss and give necessary clarifications in respect of PG students for doing online course (OC). (Reference Item No.30.18 of the minutes of the 30th meeting of the Senate)
10. To review the existing leave rules and operational guidelines for M.Tech. & Ph.D. students
11. Shifted above
12. To inform the PGC about the number of PhD students supported by institute per faculty
13. To discuss the issue related to award of grade to an M.Tech. student who registers for thesis credits in the beginning of the semester but finally he is unable to defend the thesis in the respective semester before the deadline.
14. To discuss the evaluation process for 8 credits industrial project (deferred item from 8th meeting of the PGC)
15. To approve the addition of Companies for doing 8 credits Industrial Project. (The new list will be placed on the table).
16. To discuss the following Pcoin model proposed by Dr. Pushpendra Singh:

[PCoins model.] The Institute commits to providing every faculty member with some number of "PCoins". 1 PCoin is 1 month's worth of PhD funding. The PCoins can be used by a faculty member in whatever manner. Questions on how many PCoins should be provided by the Institute, whether they should be replenished once finished, whether PCoins can be pooled etc. need to be debated further.
17. To consider a proposal for mid-Semester M.Tech. thesis presentation

Any other item with the permission of the Chair.