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Sub.: Review of criteria for award of Excellence in Ph.D. Research.

The Senate in its 238t Meeting held on 26th July 2019 considered the report of the committee constituted for review of criteria for award of Excellence in Ph.D. Research.

It was brought to the notice of the house that individual Departments and academic entities have evolved their own procedures and processes for this award. Many academic units do not follow the metric suggested by the "Dinesh Sharma Committee".

The house noted the two mandatory requirements as per the report:

- 1. The Ph.D. student should have completed the Ph.D. (till thesis submission) in the normal tenure of registration, without extension (six years from the date of joining in case of regular Ph.D. and seven years for integrated Dual Degrees M.Tech./M.Phil./M.Sc. +Ph.D.). Exceptions to this rule may be permitted in special cases; only with explicit approval of the PGAPEC.
- 2. The external thesis reviews should be positive and reflect that it is a good thesis. It is expected that reviewers should not have marked `d' (major revision needing additional review) or `e' (reject) in the feedback form.

The house also decided the following:

- The PGC of the academic units shall frame the rules for award of Excellence in Ph.D. research and to put on the academic unit's webpage well in advance for information of students.
- * The Convener, PGPC to modify the existing format of "Evaluation report on Ph.D. Thesis" and/or "Ph.D. viva-voce report" to include the recommendations of the committee.

The house resolved to accept the recommendations of the Committee

Actg, Dy. Registrar (Academic)

To:

1. The Head of All Academic Units

2. The General Secretary Academic Affairs (PG)

3. Convener/Co-convener, PGPC - for modifications in the existing forms

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1. Prof.R.Banerjee, Convener of the Committee, (Energy Sciences and Engg.Deptt.)

2. The Concerned Academic office Staff

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