



MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

Split PhD Scholarship Program
Between
Punjab Higher Education Commission, Lahore (PHEC)
And
University of the Punjab, Lahore
Date: MAY 11, 2017

This Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) is signed between the **Punjab Higher Education Commission, Lahore** (hereinafter referred to as '**the PHEC**') and **University of the Punjab, Lahore** (hereinafter referred to '**PU**'). Whereas the PHEC and PU agree to have mutual commitment to further extend opportunity of higher education and research to the faculty of public sector colleges and universities of Punjab by launching a pilot Split PhD Scholarship Program.

The terms and conditions of this MoU are as follows:

1. Governing Law and Jurisdiction

- 1.1 This agreement will be governed by and constructed in accordance with the laws of country wherein the programs under this MoU are offered.
- 1.2 This MoU relates to pilot Split PhD Scholarship program offered for extending opportunities of higher learning and research to the faculty of public sector colleges and universities.
- 1.3 This memorandum neither binds the PHEC nor PU for any legal implications.

2. Proposed Activities under the agreement

The MoU covers the following:

- 2.1 PHEC will provide 06 scholarships to the Institute of Social & Cultural Studies, University of the Punjab.
- 2.2 PU shall advertise the Split PhD scholarship program in national dailies as per the criteria devised by PHEC
- 2.3 The initial scrutiny of the applications, making of applicants database shall be done by the PU.
- 2.4 A joint committee of PU, GCU & PHEC will shortlist the candidates based on criteria.
- 2.5 The interview panel comprising of members from ISCS, PU, GCU Lahore (concerned HoD and Dean), two experts, and some members from the I&SC and SMC of PHEC will interview the candidates. Concerned Dean would be the convener.
- 2.6 The committee shall make recommendation for award of scholarship.
- 2.7 PHEC will transfer funding to the PU Lahore for execution of the program on annual basis.



- 2.8 PU will engage PHEC in all matters related to program execution including but not limited to selection of scholars, international partnerships, MoUs with the foreign university etc.
- 2.9 The program implementation and funds utilization as per the SOPs will be the responsibility of the university. The PU shall disburse funds to the scholars under intimation to the PHEC.
- 2.10 The PU will submit semester plan including the foreign mentoring workshop schedules, faculty exchange, and other activities to PHEC before commencement of the semester.
- 2.11 The PU will submit annual utilization report duly audited by the university resident auditor to PHEC.
- 2.12 The foreign faculty workshops may be jointly held with GCU, Lahore and scholars from both the universities may attend the intensive training programs.
- 2.13 PHEC will monitor the program, evaluates challenges and makes improvements in the design for large scale roll out.

3. Mode of Working

The PHEC will notify a joint committee comprising members from Scholarship Management Committee of PHEC, representative of PU and GCU (HoD/Dean) and a member from PHEC secretariat staff to mutually decide the modalities, action plan and other necessary procedural formalities for the Split PhD Program. The Chairperson PHEC shall be the convener of the Committee. The Committee may recommend any matter related to Split PhD Scholarship Program to PHEC for approval.

4. No. of Scholarships

06 scholarships will be offered by PU, Lahore for FY 2017-18.

5. Eligibility Criteria

To apply for Split PhD Scholarship, the applicant must:

- Be a regular faculty member of public sector university/college in Punjab; domiciled from any district of Punjab
- The program is meant for scholars' only. Family will not be allowed to accompany the successful scholars during their visit abroad.
- Be less than 45 years of age on the closing date of advertisement
- Have minimum 02 years of experience as a permanent/regular faculty member
- Have completed 18 years of education (MS/M.Phil) in chosen discipline of studies



- Have secured admission in the specific department of a university offering Split PhD scholarship
- Have a strong research proposal relevant to the needs of Pakistan in general and/or to Punjab province specifically
- Have minimum 3.0 CGPA in MS / MPhil

6. Application Procedure

The application procedure will be as per the norms of the PU, Lahore. The interview committee would submit its recommendations to PHEC for approval of the award of Split PhD Scholarship.

7. Terms & Conditions

The terms and conditions related to execution of legal bonds i.e., deed of agreement, guarantee to PHEC, etc. shall be made by the selected scholars on PHEC prescribed format.

8. Funding for the programs

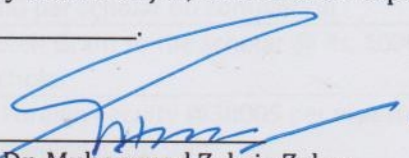
The detail of budget heads and complete financial provision for the scholars and Split PhD Program is give in **Schedule-1**. This funding will be transferred to PU, Lahore after signing of MoU to execute the Split PhD Scholarship Program.

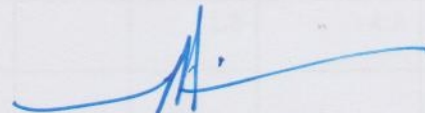
9. Entry into Force and Duration of MoU

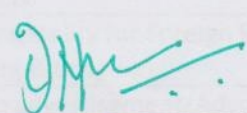
9.1 This MoU shall enter into force from date of signature and shall remain valid till December 2020, extendable for further period by mutual consent of the parties.

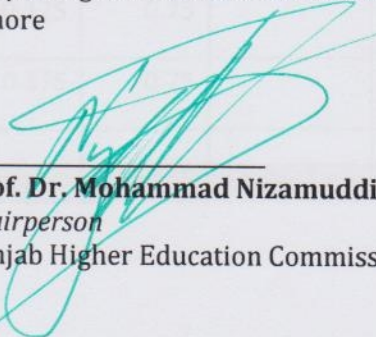
9.2 This MoU may be amended anytime through mutual consent of the parties in writing.

In witness thereof, the following being duly appointed representative of the PHEC and University of the Punjab, on behalf of respective parties, have signed this MoU on date _____.


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