



(Abstract)

Kannur University - Ph.D. Programme - Admission -"Kannur University Ph.D. Degree Regulations, 2022" - Additions/ Amendments - Syndicate resolution - Implemented - Orders Issued.

Research and Development Cell

RDC-C/C1/3099/2025

Kannur,Dated: 23.10.2025

- Read:-1. U.O. No. RDC/C1/Ph.D Regulations/2023 dated 03.06.2023
2. U.O. No. RDC/C1/2136/ Attendance and Leave/2018 dated 29.12.2021
3. Request dated 16.05.2025 from Sri. Unni P. K.
4. UGC Public Notice No.F.4-1 (UGC-NET Review Committee)/2024(NET)/140648 dated 27.03.2024 and letter dated 28.03.2024.
5. Resolution of the Syndicate meeting vide Item No. 2025.525 dated 04.07.2025

ORDER

1. University orders were issued vide paper read (1) implementing the new regulations for the Ph.D. Programme titled, "Kannur University Ph.D. Degree Regulations, 2022" framed in supersession of the "Kannur University (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2018" of Kannur University; and in accordance with the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2022.

2. An addition was made to Clause 5.3.6 of the Ph.D. Degree Regulations, 2018 as Clause 5.3.6 (c) vide paper read (2), permitting the candidates who have secured Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) to apply for Ph.D. registration at any time during an academic year, depending on the willingness/availability of guides, subject to the recommendation of the Department Research Committee (DRC).

3. A candidate who completed his Post Graduation in English and qualified the UGC-NET examination in December 2024 under Category 3, which has a one-year validity, has submitted a request vide paper read (3) to be permitted to apply for Ph.D. admission without waiting for the regular notification, similar to the provisions available for UGC/CSIR JRF awardees.

4. As per the UGC Public Notice dated 27.03.2024 and the letter dated 28.03.2024 vide paper read (4), National Eligibility Test (NET) qualified candidates are classified under three categories based on their performance. Category 1 is for those eligible for the Junior Research Fellowship (JRF), Assistant Professorship, and PhD admission. Category 2 is for those eligible for Assistant Professorship and PhD admission, while Category 3 is for those eligible only for PhD admission. However, NET scores of candidates under Category 2 and Category 3 is valid for one year for the purpose of Ph.D. admission.

5. Considering the matter in detail, the Vice Chancellor has ordered that the matter be placed before the Syndicate.



6. The Syndicate of the University, in its meeting held on 04.07.2025, resolved vide Item No. 2025.525 to extend the aforementioned provision available for UGC/CSIR JRF awardees to UGC-NET Qualified Candidates under Categories 2 and 3 as well, permitting them to apply for Ph.D. admission at any time during the academic year, subject to the following conditions:

- The validity of their NET scores.
- The availability and willingness of research supervisors.
- The recommendation of the respective Department Research Committee (DRC).

7. The resolution of the Syndicate vide paper read (5) has been implemented and the following additions/amendments are made to Clause 5.4.6 of the *Kannur University Ph.D. Degree Regulations, 2022* :

5.4.6. Candidates who qualify for fellowship/scholarship in UGC-NET/UGC-CSIR NET/GATE/CEED and similar National/State level tests are exempted from the Entrance Test.

a. The candidates who have secured Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) may apply for Ph.D. registration at any time during an academic year, depending on the willingness/availability of guides, and subject to the recommendation of the Department Research Committee.

b. The UGC/CSIR-NET Qualified Candidates under Categories 2 and 3 are permitted to apply for Ph.D. admission at any time during the academic year, subject to the following conditions:

- The validity of their NET scores.
- The availability and willingness of research supervisors.
- The recommendation of the respective Department Research Committee (DRC).

c. The JRF-qualified students are admitted into the Ph.D. programme based on an interview as per the UGC guidelines.

d. For students who qualify in Categories 2 and 3, 70% weightage will be given for test scores and 30% weightage for the interview for admission to Ph.D. programmes. The Ph.D. admission will be based on the combined merit of NET marks and the marks obtained in the interview/viva voce.

8. The Clause 5.4.6 of Kannur University Ph.D. Degree Regulations, 2022 stands modified to this extent.

9. Orders are issued accordingly

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Forwarded / By Order

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