Subject: Inviting applications for the Award of University Gold Medal in Ph.D Programmes - 2019-20

Please refer to this office memo No. PG.IV.AU.2019/16058-062 dated 16.12.2020 and extension in date Memo No. PG.IV.AU/2019/14.01.2020 and email dated 03.02.2020 on the subject cited above. The last date for submitting the applications for the Award of University Gold Medal in Ph.D Programmes - 2019-20 was 24th February, 2020. Now, the last date for submitting the applications has been extended till 15th April, 2020. The complete applications in all aspects may reach the office of the undersigned by the last date. The rules/criteria for the award are enclosed.

It is mentioned that NO application has been received in the field of Social Sciences (viz. Extension Education, Extension Education & Communication Management, Economics, Sociology, Business Administration, Family Resource Management, Human Development & Family Studies and Apparel & Textile Sciences) so far. The worthy Vice-Chancellor has taken a serious view in this regard. So, if no student is applying in the field of Social Sciences, the concerned department has to send the NIL information. So that the same can be conveyed to the worthy Vice-Chancellor.

This may be treated as Most Urgent.

Encl: as above.

CC:
1. SVC, for the kind information of the worthy Vice-Chancellor
2. University Data Centre, DEEIT, for uploading the same on the PAU Website.
3. Registrar, PAU.
4. All HODs/All Faculty Members
63. Item No. C-2    Starting of University Gold Medal in Ph.D. programmes.

The Academic Council considered the item and approved the institution of 5 Gold Medals for Ph.D. Programmes as under:

a) 5 PAU Gold Medals for Ph.D. may be started.
b) Following departments are grouped for the award of PAU Gold Medal to Ph.D. pass out in each of the group:

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<td>Soil Science, Agronomy, Soil &amp; Water Engineering, Agricultural Meteorology, Farm machinery &amp; Power Engineering, Energy Science &amp; Technology.</td>
<td>PAU Gold Medal in Crop Production &amp; Mechanization</td>
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<td>Plant Breeding &amp; Genetics, Biotechnology, Entomology, Plant Pathology</td>
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<td>5</td>
<td>Chemistry, Biochemistry, Botany, Microbiology, Zoology.</td>
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ANNEXURE-1

Rules for Award of University Gold Medal in Ph.D. Programmes

1. The award shall be known as "PAU-ICAR Gold Medal in Ph.D. - ..........................................." (Subject to the approval of ICAR)

2. The medal shall be awarded at the Annual Convocation of the University.

3. Only those candidates who have obtained their degree during the calendar year preceding to the year of the Award shall be eligible.

4. The candidate must have published/accepted at least one research paper from Ph.D. research work in a journal having NAAS rating of more than 6.

5. The candidate must have obtained minimum OCPA of 8.00/10.00.

6. The candidate must not have registered for more than 8 semesters of studies for completing the doctoral programme. The candidate who has discontinued their studies during this period will not be eligible.

7. The candidate should not have obtained "F" grade in any credit course.

8. The candidate should not have opted for S/US grades in credit courses other than deficiency courses and research in the Doctorate programme.

9. The student who improves the OCPA through compartment examination or through any other means shall not be considered eligible to compete for the medal.

10. A student who was placed on conduct probation/expelled from hostel or college or university/rusticated for any act of indiscipline shall not be eligible for the medal.

11. In case two or more candidates obtain the same score, the candidate with higher OCPA at the end of the degree programme shall be entitled for the medal. If more than one candidate has earned the same OCPA and the same score, then the award shall be given to the student younger in age.

Scorecard

1. OCPA 45 marks
   (The score for OCPA will be calculated as = OCPA x 10 x 0.45)

2. Thesis 35 marks

3. Research Publications and Patents* 20 marks
   Total 100 marks

*Research Publications & Patents:
  Agricultural Research Journal 1 marks
  >8 < 7 NAAS rating 3 + Impact Factor
  >7 < 8 NAAS rating 4 + Impact Factor
  >8 < 9 NAAS rating 5 + Impact Factor
  >9 NAAS rating 6 + Impact Factor
  Patents filed/Software or Prototypes registered/models/methods/IPR options = 3 marks each
Criteria

The Dean Post Graduate studies will post the circular in this regard on the university website and to the Deans of the Constituent Colleges in the first week of November. Eligible candidates need to apply for the award during December every year. The candidates will submit the application along with Provisional Degree Certificate, transcript of Ph.D., publications and patents etc. in PDF format. Applications will be screened and verified by the concerned Heads of the Departments. The score for quality of research, based on presentation of the thesis (out of 35 marks), will be awarded by selection committee. The evaluation reports of the external examiners may also be obtained from the Registrar, PAU by the Dean, Postgraduate Studies to account a part of the above 35 marks of quality of thesis.

Selection Procedure

The date of oral presentation shall be announced by the Dean Postgraduate Studies at least three weeks in advance through web site as well as through circular to the Deans of the constituent colleges. Head of the Department/Major Advisor will also inform the applicant about the date of presentation. After the presentations have been made, the committee shall award marks to each candidate out of maximum 35 marks. The marks obtained by the candidates on the basis of the academic achievements (maximum 65 marks) shall not be available to the members of the evaluation committee. After the committee has awarded marks for the presentation (out of 35 marks), the Dean Postgraduate Studies shall add the marks obtained on the basis of academic achievements to the marks scored through presentation and the Committee shall place the score card of all the candidates along with its recommendations before the Academic Council for consideration of the award of "PAU-ICAR Gold Medal in Ph.D" in each category.

Selection Committee:

The Selection Committee for the award will be as under:

Dean Postgraduate Studies  Chairperson
Deans of the respective Colleges  Member
Concerned Heads of the Departments  Member
Concerned Additional Director of Research  Member
Additional Director of Extension Education  Member
Concerned Dean PGs Nominee of College  Member
### Proforma for assessing the quality and presentation of the Ph.D. Thesis

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