

**APJ Abul Kalam Technological University**

**CET Campus, Thiruvananthapuram**

Guidelines for conducting Comprehensive Examination of PhD Scholars

**Written Examination**

Max. Marks : 100

Duration : 3 Hours

**Number of modules in Comprehensive Written Examination Syllabus**

- (a) 5 modules for research scholars who had undergone Research Methodology at Post Graduate Level

Maximum mark allotted to each module : 20 marks

Total  $20 \times 5 = 100$  marks

- (b) 4 modules for research scholars who had undergone Research Methodology as part of PhD Course work

Maximum mark allotted to each module : 25 marks

Total  $25 \times 4 = 100$  marks

***There shall not be any choice for questions.***

***Each module can have two/three questions and sub divisions for questions are allowed.***

In both cases, last module of the syllabus shall contain contents related to the research area of the scholar. The other modules can be from the course works undergone by the scholar.

The question paper setting and evaluation of answer script shall be carried out by External DC members of the scholar or by the subject experts nominated by the Chairman for viva-voce examination. The name(s) of question paper setter and answer script evaluator shall be included in the minutes of Pre-comprehensive DC meeting minutes.

## **Viva voce Examination**

Max. marks : 100

Duration : 1 Hour to 1½ Hour

The scholar shall present his/her work briefly, about 5 minutes.

The approved syllabus for comprehensive written examination will be displayed by the scholar. The Chairman and all the DC members (especially the invited external members for viva voce examination) shall ask questions from each module in one to one basis, till the last module of the syllabus.

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