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Sub:- Duration of the PhD programme for scholars admitted from
2017-18 academic year onwards – Reg.

Ref:- UGC (Minimum standards and procedure for award of M.Phil/PhD. Degrees)
Regulations 2016.

Several requests are received from PhD scholars who have taken admission during the Academic Year 2017 for extension, de-registration etc.

As regards to the above, all the PhD scholars who have joined PhD programme from the Academic Year 2017-18 onwards may note that, they are governed by UGC (Minimum standards and procedure for award of M.Phil/PhD. Degrees) Regulations 2016. Relevant clauses are excerpted below.

1. *PhD. Programme shall be for a minimum duration of three years, including course work (should complete within in one year from date of joining the programme) and a maximum six years.*
2. *The women candidates and Persons with Disability (more than 40% disability) may be allowed relaxation of upto two years for PhD in the maximum duration.*

Students need not seek extension after 5 years and there is no provision for de-registration for students who joined the PhD programme from 2017 onwards. All the scholars have to do the semester registration and DRC reports till they submit the thesis as prescribed above.

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