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Sub: Regulations relating to M.Phil. and Ph.D. Programme

As directed, appended below is the clause 4 of the Regulations relating to M.Phil. and Ph.D. Programme, 2016 of the University of North Bengal for information to all concerned.

Clause 4: Duration of the Programme:

- 4.1 M.Phil. programme shall be for a duration of four (4) consecutive semester (two years).
- 4.2 Ph.D. programme shall be for a minimum duration of three years, including the course work and for a maximum period of six years.
- 4.3.1 The registration for the Ph.D. degree shall remain valid for a period of six years including the course work form the date of entry into the Ph.D. programme of the University.
- 4.3.2 In case the thesis is not submitted for adjudication within the initial period of six years, the registration may be extended for a period of another five years. The fees payable for registration / extension of registration shall be prescribed separately. The registration will remain valid until the successful defence in the open viva-voce.
- 4.3.3 the registration may be cancelled on the recommendation of the Board of Research Studies (BRS) in the following cases:
 - (a) If the candidate applies for such cancellation through the Research Advisory Committee (RAC) as constituted under clause 8 of these regulations.
 - (b) Where the RAC suggests cancellation on grounds of unsatisfactory performance or progress of the candidate. In such cases, the candidate shall be given adequate opportunity for self-defence.
- 4.4 Women candidates and persons with more than 40% disability may be allowed a relaxation of one year for M.Phil. and two years for Ph.D. programme in the maximum duration. In addition, the women candidates may be provided maternity leave/ child care leave once in the entire duration of the M.Phil. / Ph.D. programme for up to 240 days.

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In communication to:

- 1. The Hon'ble Vice-Chancellor, NBU for kind information.
- 2. The Dean, Faculty Council for PG Studies in Science, NBU for information
- 3. The Dean, Faculty Council for PG Studies in Arts, Commerce & Law, NBU for information.
- 4. All Heads/ Directors of the Academic Department/ Centre, NBU with a request to circulate it amongst the Research Scholars.
- 5. The Head, Centre for Information & Resource Management, NBU with a request to upload it on the NBU website.
- 6. Office file.