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PUBLIC NOTICE

Sub.: Regarding equivalence of foreign Ph.D. degree with Indian Ph.D. degree as provided in the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D.) Regulations, 2016.

The clause 12.0 of University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedure for Award of M.Phil./Ph.D.) Regulations, 2016 notified in the Gazette of India on 5th May 2016 states that "if the M.Phil./Ph.D. degree is awarded by a Foreign University, the Indian Institution considering such a degree shall refer the issue to a Standing Committee constituted by the concerned Institution for the purpose of determining the equivalence of the degree awarded by the foreign University".

UGC has been receiving queries from various stakeholders seeking clarification on procedure of equivalence of Ph.D. degree from foreign Universities to the Ph.D. degree of an Indian University for appointment as Assistant Professor in Indian Universities/Colleges. The UGC in its meeting held on 20th March, 2018 considered the issue and decided as follows:-

"Any foreign Ph.D. Degree which is held equivalent by AIU by following its own procedure may also be treated valid for exemption from NET for appointment as Assistant Professor in Indian Universities and Colleges"

It is, therefore, clarified that the Universities can use the above provision also for determining the validity of foreign Ph.D. degrees for exemption from NET for appointment as Assistant Professor in Indian Universities/Colleges.

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Secretary