Jawarharlal Nehru University

Evaluation Branch

No. Eval.I/3(43A)/2018

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CIRCULAR

Subject: Implementation of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi order w.r.t. M.Phil./Ph.D. Students

In pursuance of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi order in the Writ Petition(C) 9944/2017 & CM No.40514/2017 Preeti Umrao & Others Versus JNU & Others and WP (C) 10211/2017 & CM Nos.41681/2017, 41682/2017 Sari Hamoud and Others Versus JNU & Others.

In this regard, after receiving comments on the above cited order from Admission Branch, the Evaluation Branch sought clarifications/comments from Legal Cell of the University for the implementation of the order of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi. The following clarifications/comments of the Legal Cell have been approved by the Competent Authority of the University for implementation of the above cited order of Hon'ble High Court of Delhi.

- 1. JNU circulars dt. 21.09.2017, 25.09.2017 and 24.10.2017 issued by Evaluation Branch shall stand quashed and shall have no validity.
- As per the decision of the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi, the students who were admitted in Monsoon Semester 2016-17 to the M.Phil/Ph.D programme will be allowed to proceed to write their Ph.D thesis as per the prospectus issued for the same year (2016-17), subject to fulfilling other conditions.
- 3. When these particular cases were sub-judice, some students were in a dilemma whether to write their M.Phil dissertation or to wait until the outcome of the court proceedings. Since the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi has allowed the petitioners to move directly to the Ph.D programme (if the requisite CGPA has been obtained), such students may be given the option to either complete their M.Phil dissertation or to move directly to Ph.D programme where such cases are similar to those of the petitioners.
- 4. Likewise those admitted to Direct Ph.D in the Monsoon Semester 2016-17, their cases may also be considered as per prospectus issued at that time.
- 5. It is important to mention that for the purpose of calculating time limits mentioned in the respective Ordinances, students who would change their earlier option & prefer to move either to M.Phil dissertation or to Ph.D programme, as the case may be, would be considered as registered students of the opted programme from the monsoon semester 2016-17 or Monsoon Semester 2017-18, whichever is the actual date of Registration of the opted programme.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

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