



**DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS
ASSAM UNIVERSITY :: SILCHAR**

Date: 27th January, 2021

The second meeting of the Departmental Research Committee (DRC) was conducted online through Google Meet on 27.01.2021 at 7. P.M to discuss on the following agenda:

1. Pre-submission of Ph.D Scholar
2. Panel of Experts for Ph.D thesis submission
3. Changes of Objective of Ph.D research
4. Inclusion of co-supervisor

In the meeting the following members were present:

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| 1. Dr. Rama Shanker | Chairman |
| 2. Prof. Niranjana Roy | External Member |
| 3. Prof. B. Indrajit Sharma | External Member |
| 4. Prof. Dibyojyoti Bhattacharjee | Member |
| 5. Dr. Tanusree Deb Roy | Member |
| 6. Dr. Jonali Gogoi | Member |

At the very outset the Chairman welcomed all the members to the second online meeting of DRC members of the Department of Statistics, Assam University, Silchar. As most of the agenda items concerns the research scholars who are associated with Prof. D. Bhattacharjee so the Chairman requested him to present the cases.

Prof. Bhattacharjee who prepared a PowerPoint presentation of the cases presented the same by sharing his screen.

Item 1: Pre-submission of Ph.D Scholar

Prof. Bhattacharjee presented the case of Research Scholar Ms. Priyanka Talukdar who was registered to Ph. D as per the old regulations. The title of her Ph. D work is “**Applications of Pressure Index in Cricket Analytics**”. The house was apprised that the date of provisional registration of Ms. Talukdar was 9th March, 2017. She is going to complete 4 years of her Ph. D work soon. She has attained all the objectives of her thesis. All calculations are over and wants to present her pre-submission seminar. Meanwhile she has also published 3 research papers (copies

were displayed online) related to her Ph.D work and presented her work in different national/international seminars. The case was placed before the house to allow Ms. Talukdar to present her pre-submission seminar.

Resolution: The DRC members unanimously resolved that as she satisfies all the criteria so she may be allowed to present her Pre-submission seminar.

Item 2: Panel of Experts for Evaluation of the Thesis of Ms. Priyanka Talukdar

Prof. Niranjana Roy, External Member of the DRC, suggested that after successful presentation of the pre-submission seminar by Ms. Talukdar, the panel of experts may be submitted by the concerned supervisor directly to the BPGS, Statistics.

Resolution: All the members agreed to that.

Item 3: Changes in the Objective of Mr. Mrinal Deka

The next case presented was that of Mr. Mrinal Deka who is a research scholar of Prof. Bhattacharjee registered under the new Ph. D regulation in 2019. Mr. Deka wanted to change the title of his thesis and some objectives of his study. Both the matter was suggested by his Research Advisory Committee (RAC) in the third progress seminar dated 30.8.2020 (Minutes of the RAC was displayed). The earlier title was “ **A STUDY ON THE RISK FACTORS OF CANCER IN ASSAM ALONG WITH THEIR PREVAILING TREATMENT PROCESSES: A STATISTICAL APPROACH**” and the new title is “**A STATISTICAL ANALYSIS OF VARIOUS TYPES OF CANCER WITH SPECIAL REFERENCE TO TREATMENT PROCESSES AND SOCIO-ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS**”

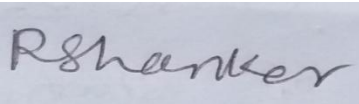
Resolution: The house agreed to the changes in title as well as in the objectives.

Item 4: Inclusion of Co-supervisor of Mr. Mrinal Deka

Prof. Bhattacharjee further continued with the case of Mr. Deka and told that with the availability of socio-economic data of the cancer patients and with the inclusion of certain objectives related to socio-economic profile and their modelling, the supervisor and scholar felt the need of inclusion of a co-supervisor in the Ph. D program of Mr. Deka. The co-supervisor should be someone who had the expertise in modelling of socio-economic data. Accordingly, the supervisor approached Dr. Sandeep Mitra of Indian Statistical Institute, Kolkata with a request to co-supervise the Ph. D program of Mr. Deka. To which he agreed. His consent letter was placed in the meeting. Dr. Mitra had all qualifications of being the Co-supervisor of the Ph. D program as per the new Ph. D regulation of Assam University. The curriculum vitae of Dr. Mitra was presented in the meeting which expressed his experience, publication and expertise all of which satisfied the necessary requirements.

Resolution: As the house was satisfied with the need of inclusion of the co-supervisor, Dr. Mitra in the Ph. D program of Mr. Deka and since Dr. Mitra satisfied all necessary requirements so Inclusion of Dr. Mitra was agreed unanimously by the DRC.

As there was no other matter to discuss so the meeting ended with thanks from and to the chair.



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