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Subject:

Supervision of Students Pursuing M.S/M.Phil with Thesis by Supervisors Having

M.S/M.Phil Without Thesis and Limit for Supervision of Students

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Higher Education Commission (HEC) has received a number of requests seeking clarification for supervision of MS/M.Phil scholars by supervisors having degrees by coursework without research work.

The issue has been discussed in the 19<sup>th</sup> meeting of National Quality Assurance Committee (NQAC) and it has been decided that faculty members having MS/M.Phil without thesis, but with relevant research or industrial experience can supervise the research of MS/M.Phil students and accordingly the criteria is to be devised by the respective University/Institution.

Moreover, as per revised policy, a supervisor can supervise a total of twelve (12) MS/M.Phil/PhD students at a time with no more than five (05) of these students being PhD students. The revised policy will be effective from March 16, 2015.

With kind regards,

(Hakim Ali Talpur)

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