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**Research Proposal/Synopsis for MS/M.Phil/Ph.D Thesis**

**Department of** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**1. Name of the Student:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**4. Semester:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ **5. Field of Specialization:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**6. Title of Research Proposal:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**7. Date of Enrolment in Research:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**8. Duration of Proposed Research:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Supervisor, Supervisory Committee (SC) Information**

**1. Name of Supervisor:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Affiliation:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**2. Name of Supervisory Committee (SC) Member 1:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**3. Name of Supervisory Committee (SC) Member 2:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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**Topic *[1 to 3 lines]***

Write clear, well defined and comprehensive research topic in Title Case

**Abstract/Summary *[1 to 2 paragraphs]***

The abstract should be comprehensive as per standards used in general research thesis and articles.

**Introduction (Need/Motivation of the Present Research) *[1-2 page]***

You have to provide the complete motivation of your choice to work on this topic. Also a brief defence of your topic that this work has not already been done. You may include references in this part.

**Research Question(s) *[Minimum 1 research question]***

Write at least one research question that should be clear and focused on the research topic.

**Research Objectives [3 to 5 lines]**

Write measurable research objectives in 3 to 5 lines

**Socio-Economic Importance/Benefits (if applicable) [3 to 5 lines]**

Write possible socio-economic benefits that could be achieved through this research.

**Review of Literature *[2 to 3 pages for MS/M.Phil and maximum 10 pages for PhD]***

*Review of literature can be any one of the following styles*

* *Chronological*
* *Subjective/Book*

**Methodology/Research Design [2 to 4 pages]**

Provide details of the methodology to be adopted to carry out this research. Also, give a brief description of the tools and design to be used of the analysis and validation of your work.

**Risk Analysis and Management (if applicable) [1 Page]**

Use this section to describe any expected risk and the strategy to overcome such risks, if applicable.

**References/Bibliography**

Note: Only include those references that are cited/merged in the text.

(It is preferred that 50% citation should be from the latest publication of 5-years)

*(For reference use APA style)*

**Gantt Chart (to be used as guideline) *[Separate Page]***

Provide activity Plan relevant to research/objectives.

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| **Specific Objectives** | **Activities** | **Semester-I** | | | | **Semester-II** | | | |
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**Details of Funds/Expenditure (if applicable) *[Maximum 1 page]***

Provide detail of funds and expected expenditure on this research such as Consumable/Chemicals/field Survey/Transport etc.

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**Student Signature**

**Date:** \_\_\_\_\_\_

**DECLARATION**

We hereby agree to supervise the research work as per above proposal/synopsis.

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**Signature of Supervisor**

**Signature of SC Member 1 Signature of SC Member 2**

**FOR VU THESIS SUPERVISOR USE ONLY**

**Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

*Note: Hard and soft copy of synopsis/research proposal must be submitted to secretary ASRB for final approval.*

**Profile of Supervisor**

**Name of Supervisor:** \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

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| **Ongoing**  **Research students** | |
| Number of MS/M.Phil. students | Number of PhD students |
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**Signature of Supervisor**

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The Proposal entitled “ ”duly recommended by the Graduate Research Committee (GRC) in its meeting held on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is forwarded to ASRB through the Dean of the Faculty for approval and allocation of funds (if requested).

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|  | **Signature / Seal**  **Chairperson of the Department**  **Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |
| **Signature / Seal**  **Dean of the Faculty**  **Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** | **Signature / Seal**  **Secretary ASRB**  **Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_** |