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Rules of Admission of Persons with disabilities in Academic Session 2019-20

In consonance to Right of Persons with Disabilities (RPWD) Act, 2016, it is notified in the Handbook of Information, 2019 that the following rules for admissions to be implemented in Panjab University and its affiliated regional centres/colleges:

1. **5% seats** will be horizontally reserved for persons or class of Persons with Disability (PwD) out of which **1% each shall be reserved** for persons suffering from the disabilities specified under the **RPWD 2016 Act**.
2. Applicants under the Reserved Category of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities shall be allowed a **relaxation of 5% marks** for calculation of merit in seeking admission to the courses in which a certain percentage of minimum marks has been specified, provided they have obtained minimum pass marks prescribed by the University regulations.
3. The candidate under the Reserved Category of Persons with Benchmark Disabilities shall be **allowed an upper age relaxation of 5 years for admission**, in the courses wherever upper age restriction is applicable. (Source:- Handbook of Information 2019, Panjab University, Page 23-25 Panjab University).

In this regard, it is requested to the Chairpersons/Directors/Coordinators/Principals of all the respective Department/Centre/Cell/Colleges ensure that:

1. Not less than 5% seats shall be reserved and filled in respect of students with benchmark disabilities as per the RPWD Act, 2016.
2. Every Department/Centre/Cell must prepare a separate cut off list of persons with disabilities and ensure that maximum students are accommodated as per their requirement of courses. To maintain a record of the number of candidate applying and admitted (with all contact details) in the particular course after counseling. The same

information along with all details of the applicants should be communicated to the Equal opportunity Cell of Persons with Disabilities (EOC-PWDs).

3. Help desk service should be available to deal with the process of admission of students with disabilities.
4. Provision of volunteers should be made to assist the students with disabilities during the process of admission. The students with disabilities should not be charged any fee for assisting them during admission process.
5. The admission process of students with disabilities must be conducted at ground floor, if the such student shall not able to reach at the venue of counselling.
6. The Chairperson of the respective department/centre/cell must ensure that students with disabilities do not face any problem due to the non-availability of the necessary supports.
7. The concerned authority must provide hostel accommodation to students with disability (who need hostel accommodation) as soon as his/her admission confirmed in the respective department.

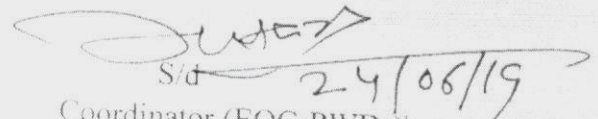
For the Rules and Regulations, please refer (Rules for Admissions, Page 23-25) of the Handbook of Information 2019.

This is for immediate compliance.

In case of any discrepancy, you are requested to contact the **Coordinator (Dr. Ramesh Kataria-9878366552) & Co-coordinator (Dr. Neelima Dhingra-9876573312), Pinki (9501300793)** of Equal Opportunity Cell of Persons with Disabilities (EOC-PWDs), Panjab University.

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Chairpersons/Directors/Coordinators/Heads of all Teaching/Non-teaching/Departments/Centres/Cell/Colleges for implementation and wide circulation.