

# UNIVERSITY OF KERALA

(Abstract)

PhD Thesis Submission- Format of PhD Thesis- Modified- Approved- Orders issued

## Academic E II Section

No.Ac.E II/2023

Dated,Thiruvananthapuram, 31.10.2023

- Read:** 1. Item No. 36.99 of the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 30.06.2009
2. Item No. 35.38 of the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 26.05.2009
3. Item No. 40.27 of the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 31.10.2009
4. UO No. Ac E II/2020 dated 27.12.2010
5. Item No. 04.11.D18 of the minutes of the meeting of the Syndicate held on 04.10.2023

### ORDER

The Syndicate vide paper read as (5) above, considered the Proposal from the Director, Research regarding the modified format of PhD thesis along with the recommendation of the Standing Committee of the Syndicate held on 25.08.2023, and resolved to implement the same for the submission of PhD thesis henceforth.

Sanction has been accorded by the Vice- Chancellor for the implementation of the above resolution of the Syndicate. The modified format is appended herewith.

Orders are issued accordingly.

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- Title of the thesis: Title shall be exactly the same as in the Registration order/Title modification order (*whichever is applicable*)
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**V. ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

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