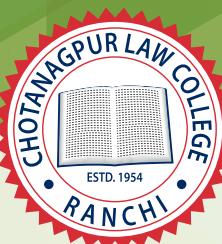


Regulation Governing the Award of the Degree of **Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)** **in Law (2026)**



CHOTANAGPUR LAW COLLEGE, RANCHI
(An Autonomous College of Ranchi University, Ranchi)
(A B++ NAAC Accredited Institution)



**RANCHI UNIVERSITY,
RANCHI**

NOTIFICATION

In pursuance of the UGC (Conferment of Autonomous Status upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023, and in particular Clause 3 (11) read with Clause 10(3) thereof, Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi, an Autonomous College under Ranchi University, Ranchi in anticipation of the approval of Academic Council, is hereby granted conditional approval for starting the Ph.D. Programme from the Academic Session 2026 onwards. subject to the following conditions:

1. The Ph.D. Programme shall be offered strictly in accordance with the UGC Regulations notified in this regard from time to time.
2. For maintaining fairness and transparency in the Ph.D. Programme, the College shall frame its Ph.D. Regulations in conformity with the norms and guidelines of the UGC and the Parent University, and the same shall be duly approved by the relevant statutory bodies of the College, namely the Board of Studies and the Academic Council.
3. After approval of the above-mentioned Regulations under Condition No. 2, the same shall be placed before the Academic Council of Ranchi University, Ranchi for information and record.
4. All competent and relevant information regarding the Ph.D. Programme shall be published on the official website of the College.
5. The College shall remain in a continuous process of accreditation by NAAC and/or other competent regulatory bodies, as applicable.

This notification is issued with the approval of the competent authority.

Sd/-

Registrar
Ranchi University, Ranchi

Memo No. B/1595/25

Dated 24/12/25

Copy to:

- The ACS-cum-Principal Secretary to the Hon'ble Governor-cum-Chancellor, Ranchi University, Ranchi.
3. The Director, Higher Education, Government of Jharkhand.
5. The Principal, Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi.
6. All Deans, Ranchi University, Ranchi.


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Registrar

Ranchi University, Ranchi

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CHOTANAGPUR LAW COLLEGE, RANCHI

REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF DOCTOR OF PHILOSOPHY (Ph.D) in Law 2026

By the Virtue of the powers conferred upon autonomous colleges under Clause 3.11¹ & 10.3² of the University Grants Commission (Conferment of Autonomous Status Upon Colleges and Measures for Maintenance of Standards in Autonomous Colleges) Regulations, 2023, and in conformity with the University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations, 2022 read with RU Notification vide Memo No. B / 1595 / 25 Dated 24th December 2025 & the Resolution no. 02 of 25th January 2026 passed in Academic Council of the Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi. It is considered expedient by Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi to frame the Regulations governing the award of the Degree of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.).

Whereas, these Regulations are expediently designed to ensure the highest standards of academic rigor, integrity, and inclusivity in doctoral research, while aligning with the objectives of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020. The Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi hereby makes the following Regulations, namely: -

1. Short Title, Application, and Commencement:

- 1.1 These Regulations may be called CNLC Regulations governing the award of Degree Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) in Law 2026.
- 1.2 They shall apply to all candidates admitted on or after the date of commencement of these Regulations.
- 1.3 These Regulations shall come into force from the date of approval by the Academic Council of the Autonomous College.

2. Definitions :

- 2.1 In these Regulations, unless the context otherwise requires :
 - (a) "Adjunct Faculty" means a part-time or contingent instructor, but not full-time faculty member hired to teach by a Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi.

1 3.11 Ph.D. programmes shall be offered strictly as per the UGC Regulations notified in this regard from time to time.

2 10.3 An autonomous college can start Ph.D. programme with the prior approval of the parent University. UGC Regulations for Ph.D. programmes as notified from time to time, must be adhered to by the parent University / Autonomous College.



- (b) "Autonomous College" means Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi.
- (c) "Commission" means the University Grants Commission established under Section 4 of the UGC Act 1956.
- (d) "Controller of Examinations" Means Controller of Examinations / Addl. Controller of Examinations of Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi.
- (e) "Course Work" means courses of study prescribed by the Chotanagpur Law College to be undertaken by a student registered for the Ph.D. Degree.
- (f) "Course" means one of the specified units which go to comprise a programme of study.
- (g) "Convener of the Ph.D. Programmes" means an academic coordinator entrusted with the responsibility of ensuring that doctoral research runs smoothly, transparently, and in compliance with institutional and statutory norms and shall be appointed by the Principal of the autonomous college.
- (h) "Credit" means the number of hours of instruction required per week over the duration of a semester. A four-credit course in a semester means four one-hour lectures per week, with each one-hour lecture counted as one.
- (i) "CNLC-RET" means Chotanagpur Law College's Research Eligibility Test which shall be conducted by The Controller of Examinations once every academic year for the admission to the Ph.D. programme.
- (j) "Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA)" means a measure of the overall cumulative performance of a student over all semester The CGPA is the ratio of total credit points secured by a student in various courses in all semesters and the sum of the total credits of all courses in all semester It is expressed up to two decimal places.
- (k) "Dean of Faculty (Academics & Research)" means Dean of Faculty (Academics & Research) of the autonomous College.
- (l) "Degree" means a degree awarded by a Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi in accordance with the provisions of section 22 (3) of the UGC Act 1956.
- (m) "Doctoral Committee (DC)" The Doctoral Committee will be the Apex body to guide and supervise overall doctoral programme at Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi (hereinafter referred to as "CNLC,Ranchi"). It will lay down the broad policies of research programme and suggest measures for development and improvement of the programme. It will provide a vision to the doctoral programme.



- (n) "Departmental Research Committee (DRC)" means committee will consist of Heads of the Departments & all the faculty members of the autonomous college.
- (o) "External examiner" means an academician / researcher with published research work who is not part of the Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi where the Ph.D. scholar has registered for the Ph.D. programme.
- (p) "Foreign Educational Institution" means-(i) an institution duly established or incorporated in its home country and offering educational programmes at the undergraduate, postgraduate and higher levels in its home country and (ii) which offers programme(s) of study leading to the award of a degree through conventional face-to-face mode, but excluding distance, online, ODL mode.
- (q) "Grade Point" means a numerical weight allotted to each letter grade on a 10-point scale.
- (r) "Guide / Research Supervisor" means an academician / researcher recognized by Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi to supervise the Ph.D. scholar for his / her research.
- (s) "Interdisciplinary Research" means research conducted by a Ph.D. scholar in two or more academic disciplines.
- (t) "Masters in Law degree (LL.M.)" shall mean a master's degree programme in Law of either 1-year / 2-semester / 3-trimester duration or 2-year / 4-semester / 6-trimester duration, as completed by a candidate having any of :
 - i. 4-year / 8-semester bachelor's degree in Law (LL.B. / LL.B. (Hons.)) through regular mode from a recognized University.
 - ii. 5-year / 10-semester / 15-trimester bachelor's degree in Law (LL.B. / LL.B.(Hons.)) through regular mode from a recognized University. or
 - iii. 3 (or 4)-year bachelor's degree and a 3-year degree in Law (LL. B. / LL.B. (Hons.)) through regular mode from a recognized University.
- (u) "Online Mode" shall have the same meaning as defined under the UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and Online Programmes) Regulations 2020.
- (v) "Open and Distance Learning Mode" shall have the same meaning as defined under the UGC (Open and Distance Learning Programmes and



Online Programmes) Regulations 2020.

- (w) "Plagiarism" means the practice of taking someone else's work or idea and passing them as one's own.
- (x) "Programme" means a higher education programme pursued for a degree specified by the University Grant Commission under sub-section (3) of section 22 of the UGC Act 1956.
- (y) "Prospectus" means any document, whether in print or otherwise, issued for providing fair and transparent information relating to a Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi and programmes, to the general public (including to those seeking admission in Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi) by the Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi.
- (z) "Registrar" means the Registrar of the Autonomous College.
- (aa) "Regulation" means Chotanagpur Law College's Regulations governing the Degree Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) 2026.
- (ab) "Research Advisory Committee (RAC)" The Research Advisory Committee will review the research work received by CNLC, Ranchi every six months. The reviewed work will be submitted to the Doctoral Committee for consideration and evaluation. The Research Advisory Committee will also guide the enrolled candidates in developing the study design and methodology of research. It will periodically review and assist in the implementation of the research works.
- (ac) "Research Proposal" means a brief write-up giving an outline of the proposed research work which the Ph.D. scholar shall submit along with the application for registration for Ph.D. programme.
- (ad) "Competent Authority" shall refer to the Doctoral Committee, as defined under Regulation, Clause (m), and constituted in accordance with the rules set forth in this document.

3. Eligibility Criteria for Admission to the Ph.D. Programme.

The following are eligible to seek admission to the Ph.D. programme:

- i) A Master's degree in Law or a professional degree declared equivalent to the Master's degree in Law by the corresponding statutory regulatory body, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) or an equivalent degree from a foreign educational institution accredited by



an Assessment and Accreditation Agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country for the purpose of assessing, accrediting, or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions.

Or

- ii) Obtained a degree in law and Master's Degree in social sciences or humanities from any recognised educational institution, Indian or a foreign educational institution accredited as per UGC Regulations, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed). Provided that candidates with qualifications in social sciences and humanities may be admitted to the programme if the research they wish to pursue interfaces with the discipline of law with a special focus on Public Policy or Law.

For the above two categories, a relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC / ST / differently-abled candidates and other categories of candidates, as per the decisions of the UGC from time to time, or for those who had obtained their Master's degree prior to 19th September, 1991.

The eligibility marks of 55% (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) and the relaxation of 5% to the categories mentioned above are permissible based only on the qualifying marks without including the grace mark procedures.

Or

- iii) Degree in law and passed the Company Secretary examination conducted by the Institute of Company Secretaries of India and awarded the Associate Membership of the Institute shall be eligible for admission to the programme, if the research they wish to pursue interfaces with the discipline of law.

Or

- iv) Degree in law and passed the final examination of the Institute of Chartered Accountants of India shall be eligible for admission to the programme, if the research they wish to pursue interfaces with the discipline of law.



The Principal of the autonomous college with the consultation with the Doctoral Committee may also permit a Chotanagpur Law College's faculty member to enroll for the Ph.D. programme along with the teaching assignment of the concerned faculty member in the interest of faculty improvement on the condition that teaching and other responsibilities of the faculty member are not hampered in any way provided such candidates fulfill the conditions prescribed in the Ph.D. Regulations.

3.1 Eligibility Criteria for Admission of Foreign Nationals:

3.1.1. Admission through open advertisements:

A foreign national, who is interested in enrolling for the Ph.D. programme at CNLC, Ranchi may apply in accordance with the admission notifications of CNLC, Ranchi. The candidates shall have sufficient proficiency in English language. Foreign nationals are exempted from the entrance examination conducted by CNLC, Ranchi for Ph.D. enrollment.

All other requirements for admission which are applicable to Indian nationals shall be applicable to foreign nationals also. The number of seats available for foreign nationals shall be in accordance with the notifications issued by CNLC, Ranchi from time to time. In the event of non-availability of suitable candidates, CNLC, Ranchi reserves the right not to fill up the seats and under no circumstances these seats shall be converted to any other categories of Ph.D. admission.

3.1.2. Admission of candidates from foreign universities / institutions having MoU with CNLC, Ranchi

A foreign national, who is interested in enrolling for the Ph.D. programme at CNLC, Ranchi, and is currently enrolled for Ph.D. programme at a foreign university / institution having MoU with CNLC, Ranchi , may be allowed to be registered for Ph.D. in CNLC, Ranchi subject to the condition that one supervisor will be from CNLC, Ranchi and one from the parent foreign university / institution of the candidate. Such a candidate will be exempted from appearing in the entrance test, subject to the condition that the candidate fulfills the other minimum eligibility conditions.

The Principal will be the competent authority to allow registration of such candidates on case-to-case basis, on the recommendations of the Doctoral Committee. The candidate will be required to visit CNLC, Ranchi



for Viva-Voce to defend the thesis as per CNLC, Ranchi Ph.D. Regulations. The fees for the programme shall be in accordance with the terms and conditions of the MoU between CNLC, Ranchi and the concerned foreign university / institute.

No separate Ph.D. degree of CNLC, Ranchi will be awarded in such cases. A joint degree may be awarded, if required under the MOU. For the purpose of this regulation, a foreign national shall mean a candidate who possesses citizenship of a country other than India and holds a valid passport.

3.1.3. Admission of candidates through Study in India and ICCR Programmes:

- i. Admission through Study in India: A foreign national may apply for enrollment in Ph.D. programme through Study in India Programme of Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India.

The candidates shall have sufficient proficiency in English language. Foreign nationals are exempted from the entrance examination conducted by CNLC, Ranchi for Ph.D. enrollment. All other requirements for admission which are applicable to Indian nationals shall be applicable to foreign nationals also. The number of seats available for foreign nationals will be decided by the university/ college on year-to-year basis. In the event of non-availability of suitable candidates, CNLC, Ranchi reserves the right not to fill up the seats and if required, these seats shall be converted to any other categories of Ph.D. admission for foreign nationals. Candidate will be required to pay the fees applicable to foreign nationals under R. 4A.

- ii. Admission through ICCR: A foreign national may apply for enrollment in Ph.D. programme through ICCR Programme of Ministry of External Affairs, Government of India. The candidates shall have sufficient proficiency in English language. Foreign nationals are exempted from the entrance examination conducted by CNLC, Ranchi for Ph.D. enrollment. All other requirements for admission which are applicable to Indian nationals shall be applicable to foreign nationals also. The number of seats available for foreign nationals will be decided by the Autonomous College on year-to-year basis and will be within the seats fixed by the Autonomous College for ICCR. In the event of non-availability of suitable candidates, CNLC,



Ranchi reserves the right not to fill up the seats and if required, these seats may be converted to any other categories of Ph.D. admission for foreign nationals. Fee applicable to candidates under this category will be at par with Indian Ph.D. scholar.

For the purpose of this regulation, a foreign national shall mean a candidate who possesses citizenship of a country other than India and holds a valid passport.

4. Application for Admission

- 4.1. There shall be two semesters of six months each in a year for the Ph.D. programme, namely, Odd Semester : July – December and Even Semester: January – June.
- 4.2. A candidate may be admitted for the Ph.D. programme at the beginning of semester provided the result of the qualifying examination is declared before the commencement of counselling (document verification) for admission to the semester and he / she fulfils the eligibility criteria laid down as above in this regulation.
- 4.3. The admission to the Ph.D. programme shall be either through the CNLC Research Entrance Test (CNLC-RET) or through direct admission as per the Regulation 6 of the Regulations. The application form shall be the same for both these types of candidates. The candidates who are eligible for direct admission shall indicate in the form that they are exempted from CNLC-RET.
- 4.4. The candidates shall submit the duly filled in application form to the Office of the Controller of Examinations on or before the last date announced by the CNLC, Ranchi.

5. Procedure for Admission

- i) The number of seats available for the Ph.D. programme shall be notified by Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi each year prior to the commencement of the admission process through Prospectus, taking into account the availability of faculty members qualified to supervise doctoral candidates.
- ii) Admission shall be conducted through a two-stage selection process, comprising:
 - (a) CNLC-RET Test shall be conducted for the admission to the Ph.D. programme once every academic year (Detailed Syllabus is mentioned in Annexure). The results of the CNLC-RET shall remain valid for one



academic year (two semesters). However, A candidate who is qualified in a national level test such as National Eligibility Test (NET-JRF) / UGC-NET (For Assistant Professor and Ph.D. or For Ph.D. only) / State Level Eligibility Test (such as JET (Jharkhand Eligibility Test) / BET (Bihar Eligibility Test) etc.) accredited by UGC, shall be exempted from the CNLC-RET as per the UGC notification NO. F.4-1(UGC-NET Review Committee) / 2024 (NET) / 140648 Dated 28th March 2024.

AND

- (b) Evaluation of research proposals followed by an interview / viva voce. In the final selection, 70% weightage shall be assigned to the entrance examination / NET-JRF / UGC-NET / SLET (Like JET / BET etc.) score and 30% weightage to the evaluation of research proposals and interview / viva voce.
- (c) The entrance examination shall consist of 50% questions on Research Methodology and 50% questions from various areas of law. To qualify for the second stage, candidates must secure a minimum of 50% marks (with a relaxation to 45% for SC / ST and differently-abled candidates). Based on the entrance examination results, candidates equal to three times the number of available seats shall be shortlisted for the second stage.
- (d) In the second stage, candidates must obtain a minimum of 50% marks (with a relaxation to 45% for SC / ST and differently-abled candidates) in the evaluation of research proposals and interview / viva voce to be considered for final selection before the Departmental Research Committee (DRC).
- (e) On the recommendation of the Departmental Research Committee (DRC), the research scholar shall be provisionally enrolled in the Ph.D. programme. The date of such recommendation shall be deemed the official date of enrollment of the candidate in the Ph.D. programme.
- (f) Following provisional enrollment, the DRC shall direct the scholar to prepare a detailed research synopsis under the guidance of the allotted supervisor. The synopsis shall be submitted to the Registrar (within 30 days from the provisional date of enrollment), who will forward it to the Principal of the autonomous college. The Principal shall obtain expert feedback and suggestions on the synopsis from two subject experts, chosen from a panel of five experts proposed by the supervisor in consultation with the Dean (Research). In the event of conflicting opinions among the experts and difficulty in reaching convergence, the supervisor's opinion shall be



submitted to the Doctoral Committee (DC), which will make the final determination for consideration.

- (g) The Research Advisory Committee shall assist the Doctoral Committee in evaluating research Synopsis in accordance with the guidelines prescribed by Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi.
- (h) The decision of the Doctoral Committee in recommending candidates for admission to the Ph.D. programme shall be final. Admissions shall be formally approved by the Principal of Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi, based on the recommendations of the Doctoral Committee.
 - i. Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi reserves the right to leave seats vacant if a sufficient number of candidates meeting the minimum cut-off marks are not available. Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi shall maintain and publish on its official website a year-wise list of all registered Ph.D. candidates, including their names, research topics, supervisors / co-supervisors, and dates of enrollment / registration.

6. Categories of Enrollment

6.1. Full-Time Enrollment

- i) Enrollment for the Ph.D. Degree shall ordinarily be on a full-time basis. The candidate shall complete a minimum of three years of which at least 18 months shall be at Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi. During this period, the candidate may be attached to a supervisor and may assist the supervisor in teaching or academic activities at the College. After fulfilling this requirement, a candidate may be permitted to conduct research work outside the College, with due approval. Provision shall exist for awarding credits for research work undertaken outside the College.
- ii) The Ph.D. programme shall be for a minimum duration of three (3) years, including coursework, and a maximum duration of six (6) years from the date of admission.

A maximum of an additional two (2) years may be granted through re-registration as per the Statute / Ordinance of the College, provided that the total period for completion does not exceed eight (8) year.

- iii) Female Ph.D. scholars and Persons with Disabilities (having more than 40% disability) may be allowed an additional relaxation of two (2) years,



subject to the condition that the total period for completion shall not exceed ten (10) years from the date of admission.

- iv) iv) Female Ph.D. scholars may be provided Maternity Leave / Child Care Leave for up to 240 days during the entire duration of the programme.

6.1. Part-Time Enrollment

- i) Provision shall also exist for part-time enrollment in the Ph.D. programme. A part-time candidate shall complete a minimum of four years of part-time study, which may include research conducted at other institutions or places, subject to the supervisor's permission.
- ii) Part-time candidates shall be required to spend at least two semesters at Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi during the four-year period. However,
 - (a) individuals serving at senior levels—such as Judges of the High Court / Supreme Court, Senior Advocates of the Supreme Court, Judicial Officers (holding an LL.M. degree with ten years of service), and IAS / IPS / IRS and allied services officers (holding an LL.M. degree with ten years of service, recruited through UPSC) and Faculty of the college may be exempted from the course work requirement. Such candidates must, however, complete a certificate course including Research Methodology within six months of admission (Such exemption shall be granted subject to the successful completion of a **SWAYAM or NPTEL course**, including Research Methodology, carrying a minimum of 8 credits, along with 2 credits of self-study, within six months from the date of admission.).
- iii) The maximum period within which a part-time candidate must complete doctoral research and submit the thesis for evaluation shall be six year. This period may be extended by up to two additional year, in two extensions of one year each, upon written request. Such extension shall be subject to the approval of the Doctoral Committee, based on the recommendation of the Research Advisory Committee.

6.2. Conversion

Conversion from part-time to full-time enrollment, or vice versa, shall be permitted only with the approval of the Doctoral Committee. All cases involving pre- and post-employment of candidates, including those enrolled under Junior Research Fellowship (JRF) and Senior Research Fellowship (SRF) schemes, shall be duly considered and approved by the Doctoral Committee.



7. Supervisors and Co-Supervisors

7.1. Allocation of Research Supervisor

7.1.1. Eligibility Criteria

- (a) **Professors / Associate Professors:** Permanent faculty members of Chotanagpur Law College or its affiliated postgraduate institutions, holding a Ph.D. and having **at least five research publications** in peer-reviewed or refereed journals, may be recognized as Research Supervisor.
- (b) **Assistant Professors:** Permanent faculty members with a Ph.D. and **minimum three research publications** in peer-reviewed or refereed journals may also be recognized as Research Supervisor.
- (c) **Restriction:** Recognized supervisors shall guide scholars **only within the College**. They may act as **Co-Supervisors** in other institutions but cannot serve as primary supervisors outside.
- (d) **Violation Clause:** Any Ph.D. awarded under the supervision of a faculty member not employed by the College shall be deemed a violation of these Regulations.

7.2. Relaxation Clause

- (a) In disciplines where **peer-reviewed / refereed journals are limited or unavailable**, the College may relax publication requirements for recognition as Research Supervisor, with reasons duly recorded in writing.

7.3. Co-Supervisors

- (a) Co-Supervisors may be appointed :
 - i. From within the same department or other departments of the College.
 - ii. From other institutions, subject to approval by the competent authority.
- (b) Adjunct Faculty: May act only as Co-Supervisors, not as primary supervisor.
- (c) For interdisciplinary / multidisciplinary research, a Co-Supervisor from outside the Department / School / Centre / College / University may be appointed, if required.



7.4. Permissible Number of Scholars

- (a) A recognized supervisor may guide the following number of Ph.D. scholars at any given time:
 - i. Professor: up to 8 scholars
 - ii. Associate Professor: up to 6 scholars
 - iii. Assistant Professor: up to 4 scholars
- (b) If a Co-Supervisor is appointed, a full-time candidate shall be counted towards the quota of both the Supervisor and the Co-Supervisor.
- (c) All full-time research scholars registered for Ph.D. shall be counted within the quota until submission of their theses.
- (d) A faculty member may supervise a maximum of two external / internal part-time candidates at any given time, which shall not be counted towards the quota prescribed above.
- (e) An Internal Adjunct Faculty may enroll a maximum of two candidates in the CNLC, Ranchi (where appointed as Internal Adjunct Faculty), and such enrollment shall not be counted towards the quota prescribed above.
- (f) The quota prescribed for Professor Emeritus and Distinguished Professors shall be the same as that allotted to a Professor.
- (g) Teachers of the College may also guide Ph.D. scholars admitted in other Universities of national importance, provided that:
 - i. There is a vacancy with the guide under whom the candidate intends to work.
 - ii. The sponsoring university / college seeks prior permission in the matter.
 - iii. The concerned RAC approves the arrangement.

7.5. Appointment of New Supervisor

- (a) Where the Supervisor of a candidate proceeds on leave, lien, or deputation:
- (b) If the period exceeds 12 months, or if initially less than 12 months but subsequently extended beyond 12 months, a Co-Supervisor shall be appointed.
- (c) If the candidate has already submitted the abstract of the thesis or the thesis itself prior to the Supervisor proceeding on leave, no Co-Supervisor shall be required.



- (d) Provided further, if the Supervisor proceeds on lien / deputation to another institution for a period exceeding 12 months, the RAC may permit the candidate to continue research under the same Supervisor in that institution, subject to:
 - i. Written consent of the Supervisor, the candidate, and the host institution.
 - ii. Satisfaction of the RAC that adequate facilities exist in the host institution for successful completion of the research work.
- (e) If the Supervisor of a candidate expires or is terminated from University/college service, he / she shall cease to be the Supervisor.
- (f) If the Supervisor of a candidate is placed under suspension, he / she shall cease to be the Supervisor for the entire duration of the suspension.
- (g) If a teacher retires or resigns from University/college service, he / she shall cease to be the Supervisor.
- (h) The Co-Supervisor, if any, shall be appointed as the Supervisor, provided he / she belongs to the same discipline.
- (i) If no Co-Supervisor exists, or if the Co-Supervisor belongs to a different discipline, the Doctoral Committee shall appoint a new Supervisor.
- (j) If a candidate, for cogent reasons, seeks to change his / her Supervisor, such change may be permitted by the Doctoral Committee, subject to the mutual consent of the present Supervisor, the proposed Supervisor, and the candidate.

7.6. Relocation of Female Scholars

- (a) In case of relocation due to marriage or other reasons, a female Ph.D. scholar may transfer her research data to the institution she intends to join with the approval of the Doctoral Committee, provided:
 - i. All other conditions of these Regulations are complied with.
- (b) The scholar shall give **due credit** to the CNLC, Ranchi and supervisor for research already undertaken.

7.7. Superannuation Clause

- (a) Faculty members with **less than three years of service before superannuation** shall not be permitted to take new Ph.D. scholar.



- (b) They may continue supervising already registered scholars until superannuation and may act as Co-Supervisors thereafter, but **not beyond the age of 70 year**.

7.8. Monitoring of Research Work

For both **part-time and full-time enrollments**, the Supervisor shall ensure **continuous and effective monitoring** of research activities undertaken by the candidate outside the campus. The Supervisor must require the candidate to produce **adequate and verifiable proof** of the work completed, so as to maintain academic integrity and accountability in the research process.

8. Research Committees

Subject to the general superintendence of the Academic Council, the following Committees shall deal with all matters connected with the Ph.D. programme of the autonomous college in accordance with these regulations :

- (a) Departmental Research Committee (DRC)
- (b) The Research Advisory Committee of the Autonomous College (RAC)
- (c) The Doctoral Committee of the Autonomous College (DC)

8.1. Departmental Research Committee (DRC)

The DRC shall consist of the following:

- (i) Head of the Departments
- (ii) All the faculty Members of the Autonomous College.
- (iii) The Principal of the Autonomous College may nominate two External Experts of the subject.

8.1.1. Function of Departmental Research Committee (DRC)

Departmental Research Committee (DRC) shall recommend the provisional enrollment of the Research Scholar on the basis of his / her CNLC-RET / NET-JRF / UGC-NET score & Presentation of Research Proposal & Viva-Voce & shall also allocate the Supervisor and Co-Supervisor (if required) to the enrolled research scholar. While allocation of the supervisor & Co-Supervisor, UGC regulations shall be strictly complied with.



8.2. The Research Advisory Committee of the Autonomous College (RAC)

The RAC shall consist of the following:

- (i) Principal of the Autonomous College Chairman
- (ii) Dean of Faculty (Academics & Research)
- (iii) Registrar Member-Secretary
- (iv) Four faculty nominated by the Principal of the autonomous College
- (v) Supervisor and Co-Supervisor (if any) of the concerned Ph.D. scholar

As the Member-Secretary, the Registrar shall convene all the meetings of the RAC.

8.2.1. Research Advisory Committee and Its Functions

1. For the Ph.D. Scholars, there shall be a Research Advisory Committee (RAC) or an equivalent body, as prescribed under the Regulations / of CNLC, Ranchi. The Research Supervisor of the scholar shall act as the Convener of the Committee. The Committee shall discharge the following functions:
 - i. Review the research Synopsis and approve the finalized topic of research.
 - ii. Periodically review and support the progress of the scholar's research work.
2. Each semester, the Ph.D. scholar shall present his / her research progress before the Research Advisory Committee and submit a brief written report. The Committee shall evaluate the presentation and report, provide further guidance, and forward its recommendations along with the scholar's progress report to CNLC, Ranchi. A copy of the recommendations shall also be furnished to the scholar.
3. If the Committee finds the scholar's progress unsatisfactory, it shall record the reasons and suggest corrective measures. Should the scholar fail to implement these measures, the Committee may, with specific justification, recommend cancellation of the scholar's registration in the Ph.D. programme at CNLC, Ranchi.

8.3. The Doctoral Committee of the Autonomous College (DC):

The meetings of the Doctoral Committee may be held in either offline or online mode. The composition of the Doctoral Committee shall be as follows:

- (i) Principal of the Autonomous College (Chairman)
- (ii) Convenor of the Ph.D. Programmes
- (iii) Dean of Faculty (Academics & Research)



- (iv) Registrar (Member-Secretary)
- (v) Controller of the Examination
- (vi) Addl. Controller of the Examination
- (vii) Two External expert faculty nominated by the Principal of the autonomous College
- (viii) Two senior faculty nominated by the Principal of the autonomous College

As the Member-Secretary, the Registrar shall convene all the meetings of the DC.

8.3.1. Doctoral Committee of the Autonomous College (DC) and its Functions

The Doctoral Committee will be the Apex body to guide and supervise overall doctoral programme at CNLC, Ranchi. It will lay down the broad policies of research programme and suggest measures for development and improvement of the programme. It will provide a vision to the doctoral programme.

8.4. The DRC, RAC & DC shall not make any recommendation that is not in conformity with these Regulations and / or such other directives as may be issued by the Academic Council in regard to the Ph.D. programme from time to time.

9. Course Work Requirements for Ph.D. Candidates

9.1. Duration and Credits

Candidates shall undertake course work for a minimum period of **one semester**, covering **12 credits** in total, distributed as follows:

Paper Code	Title	Credits	Marks
Ph.D. - 101	Subject related to Research Area	4	100
Ph.D. - 102	Research Methodology, Research Ethics & Computer Application	4	100
Ph.D. - 103	Research Proposal -Preparation, Presentation & Viva-Voce	4	100
Total	—	12 Credits	300 Marks



(i) **Exemption for Prior Qualification**

Candidates already holding an **M.Phil. or Ph.D. degree** may be exempted from the Research Methodology component, provided they have successfully completed such a course earlier.

(ii) **Minimum Academic Requirement**

- (a) A candidate must secure at least **55% marks** in all components of the course work to remain eligible for continuation in the programme and submission of the thesis.
- (b) **Revaluation** of course work shall not be permitted.
- (c) Candidates failing to secure the minimum marks may be granted **one additional opportunity** to achieve the required standard, within **three months** from the date of publication of results.

(iii) **Completion Timeline**

All candidates shall complete the prescribed course work within the first one or two semesters, in accordance with Regulation 7.5 of the UGC Regulations, 2016.

- (a) Senior professionals such as Judges of the High Court / Supreme Court, Senior Advocates of the Supreme Court, Judicial Officers (with an LL.M. degree and at least 10 years of service), and IAS / IPS / IRS and allied service officers (with an LL.M. degree and at least 10 years of service, recruited through UPSC) may be exempted from the full course work.
- (b) Such exemption shall be granted subject to the successful completion of a **SWAYAM or NPTEL course**, including Research Methodology, carrying a minimum of 8 credits, along with 2 credits of self-study, within six months from the date of admission.

(iv) **Eligibility for Research Work**

Course work must be completed within **six months from the date of registration**. Candidates shall be permitted to proceed with further research only after fulfilling this requirement.

(v) **Approval of Course Content**

The **Research Advisory Committee** shall prepare and periodically update the course work content, subject to approval by the **Academic Council of the Autonomous College**.



10. Unfair Means and Plagiarism

In accordance with the UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018 and consistent with international best practices, the following standards shall apply to all PhD theses:

10.1 Plagiarism Verification

- (a) Prior to submission of the thesis for evaluation, every candidate's work shall undergo a plagiarism check conducted by the Librarian.
- (b) The Librarian shall issue a provisional certificate to the candidate, certifying that the thesis has been tested using the UGC-INFLIBNET prescribed plagiarism software and that its contents fall within the permissible limits.
- (c) A detailed plagiarism report shall be submitted to the Registrar at the time of thesis submission for official record.

10.2 Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) Tools

- (a) **Plagiarism Control**
 - The acceptable similarity index shall not exceed 10%.
 - Any thesis exceeding this threshold shall be subject to review and corrections.
- (b) **Use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) Tools**
 - AI-based tools may be employed strictly for supportive purposes such as language refinement, formatting, or structural suggestions.
 - The proportion of AI-generated content in any thesis shall not exceed **15%**.
 - All use of AI tools must be transparently disclosed in the thesis, specifying the tools used and the purpose of their application.
- (c) **Authorship and Responsibility**
 - AI tools shall not be recognized as authors or co-author.
 - The doctoral candidate bears full responsibility for the originality, accuracy, and integrity of the thesis, including sections prepared with AI assistance.
- (d) **Ethical Standards**
 - AI tools must not replace critical thinking, intellectual contribution, research design, analysis, or interpretation.
 - The substantive scholarly contribution must originate from the doctoral candidate.



10.3 Author Responsibilities

Authors are expected to:

- (a) Ensure the originality of their work and properly cite all sources.
- (b) Disclose any reuse of previously published content with appropriate references.

10.4 Author Responsibilities

- (a) All cases involving unfair means or plagiarism shall be dealt with strictly in accordance with the University Grants Commission (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Education Institutions) Regulations, 2018, as adopted by the College.

11. Evaluation and Examination of Thesis

i) Pre-Submission Presentation

- (a) Prior to submission, the candidate shall submit a draft thesis to the Registrar through the Supervisor and present it before the Research Advisory Committee (RAC).
- (b) This forum shall be open to all faculty members and research scholars for comments, which may be incorporated into the draft thesis on the advice of the Supervisor.

ii) Publication Requirement

- (a) Each Ph.D. candidate must publish at least one research paper in a refereed journal (scopus) and present two papers in conferences / seminars before submitting the thesis / monograph for adjudication.
- (b) The length of the thesis shall conform to the requirements prescribed by the Doctoral Committee and follow the format notified by the University/ college.

iii) Submission of Thesis Copies

- (a) The candidate shall submit five hard copies of the thesis (all retained by the University/college), along with a soft copy on CD, and five copies of the thesis summary (not exceeding 3000 words) to the Registrar.
- (b) The length of the thesis shall conform to the requirements prescribed by the Doctoral Committee and follow the format notified by the University.



iv) Language and Standard

- (a) The thesis shall be written in English and must reflect the candidate's original work, attaining a satisfactory standard of scholarly presentation.

v) Plagiarism Undertaking

- (a) At the time of submission, the candidate shall provide an undertaking that the thesis contains no plagiarism and has not been submitted for any other degree at the same or any other institution.
- (b) A plagiarism check shall be conducted in accordance with University/ college policies..

vi) Evaluation Objective and Timeline

- (a) The evaluation shall assess the candidate's original contribution to research, excluding work forming part of any other completed degree.
- (b) The candidate must clearly indicate the nature and extent of their scholarly contribution.
- (c) The evaluation process shall ordinarily be completed within six months of submission.

vii) Supervisor's Certification

- (a) The Supervisor must certify that the thesis conforms to Ph.D. regulations.
- (b) If certification is withheld, the Doctoral Committee, on the recommendation of the RAC, shall take appropriate measures.

viii) Appointment of Examiners

- (a) Upon submission, the Principal of the autonomous College shall appoint two external examiners from a panel of at least eight names recommended by the RAC forwarded by the Supervisor.
- (b) Examiner / (s) may be from outside the country.
- (c) Expert who has provided his / her feedback on the Research proposal forwarded to him / her by the DRC (Departmental Research Committee) shall not be considered for examination.

ix) Examiners' Report

- (a) Examiners shall submit a report in the prescribed format, assessing the thesis and recommending whether the degree should be awarded.
- (b) If the thesis is deemed unsatisfactory, examiners shall specify whether additional work is required or whether the thesis should be rejected.



x) Viva-Voce Examination

- (a) If both examiners unanimously recommend the award of the degree, the RAC shall organize a viva-voce examination (which shall be digitally recorded), conducted by one of the examiner.
- (b) On successful completion, the candidate shall receive a Provisional Certificate.
- (c) The viva-voce report shall be submitted to the Doctoral Committee, whose recommendation will be placed before the Academic Council / Executive Council.

xi) Third Examiner

- (a) If unanimity is not achieved, the thesis shall be referred to a third external examiner from the approved panel.
- (b) The viva-voce shall be conducted only if the third examiner's report is satisfactory.

xii) Non-Recommendation of Degree

- (a) If viva-voce examiners do not recommend the award of the degree, the Doctoral Committee may:
 - i. Recommend that the degree not be awarded;
 - ii. Require the candidate to undertake additional work and resubmit within a specified period; or
 - iii. Take other appropriate action, guided by the majority opinion of examiner.

xiii) Resubmission of Thesis

- (a) A candidate required to resubmit a revised thesis shall be re-enrolled for a period not exceeding six months.
- (b) Only one resubmission is permitted.
- (c) If the resubmitted thesis fails, no further resubmission shall be allowed.

xiv) Failure at Viva-Voce

- (a) A candidate failing to defend the thesis at viva-voce may be given one final opportunity to defend.

xv) Library Deposit



- (a) A copy of the thesis shall be deposited in the Autonomous College Library for consultation, loan, or photocopying.
 - (b) In exceptional cases, the Doctoral Committee, on application by the candidate and recommendation of the Supervisor, may restrict access for a period not exceeding one year.
- xvi) **Submission to INFLIBNET**
- (a) The Autonomous College shall submit a soft copy of the thesis to INFLIBNET within 30 days of completion of the evaluation process.

12. Power to Remove Difficulties

Subject to the provisions of the UGC Ph.D. Regulations, the Principal of the autonomous College is authorized to remove any difficulties in implementing these regulations. Any measures taken shall be placed before the Doctoral Committee for information.



Annexure – A

Format for the Presentation and Approval of Research Plan Proposal

This is to certify

- (a) that Sri / Ms , a bonafide research scholar of this CNLC, Ranchi has given a detailed seminar on his Research Plan Proposal before the DRC as detailed below:

Topic:

..... Date / Time:

- (b) that his / her Research Plan Proposal has been examined in view of academic merit and that the DRC is satisfied / not-satisfied by the content and quality of Proposal,
- (c) that his / her presentation was excellent / good / satisfactory / not-satisfactory and that he / she was able / unable to defend the proposal and answer he proposal related questions,
- (d) that he / she is allowed / not-allowed to submit the Research Plan Proposal.

In case of unsatisfactory Proposal / presentation following suggestions are given by the DRC.

Date:

Place:

Signature of DRC Members

(Signature of the Principal of the Autonomous College)



Annexure – B

**Course / Comprehensive Examination / Pre-Submission
Seminar Completion Certificate**

This is to certify

- (a) that Sri / Ms., a bonafide research scholar of this CNLC, Ranchi has satisfactorily completed the Ph.D. course work and has been successful in comprehensive examination,
- (b) That his / her open Ph.D. thesis Pre-Submission seminar on (topic)..... was held on (date) in
- (c) CNLC, Ranchi from (time).
- (d) that the Doctoral Committee (DC) is satisfied / not-satisfied with the quality of the work of candidate,
- (e) that the candidate described the thesis work satisfactorily / unsatisfactorily and answered the questions related with the basics understanding of the subject and thesis work satisfactorily / unsatisfactorily,
- (f) that the Doctoral Committee (DC) gave following suggestions for the improvement of quality of work / performance of pre-submission seminar:

Date:

(Signature of the Principal of the Autonomous College)

Place:

Signature of Doctoral Committee (DC) Members



Format of the Ph.D. Thesis

The following format may be normally adopted for the Ph.D. thesis:

1. Cover page
2. Inner cover page
3. Undertaking from the candidate
4. Self declaration certificate from the candidate and Certificate from the Supervisor / Co-Supervisor / Head of the Department (Annexure –)
5. Certificate for the completion of course work / comprehensive examination in cases where the course work is a part of Ph.D. programme (Annexure –)
6. Certificate for the successful completion of the pre-submission seminar (Annexure –)
7. A copyright transfer certificate (Annexure –)
8. Acknowledgments
9. Contents
10. List of symbols, figures and tables, if any
11. Preface of the thesis
12. Introduction
13. Literature review
14. Chapters covering the work of the candidate
15. Conclusion
16. References
17. Appendices
18. List of papers communicated / accepted / published / presented.
19. Copies of acknowledgment / acceptance letter in case the papers are communicated / accepted.



20. Copies of manuscripts / reprints of the papers communicated / accepted / published.
21. A personal profile not exceeding one page with photograph of the candidate.
22. References should be arranged chronologically in alphabetical order. Typical style of writing the references is given below:

(a) For single author

Surname, Initials, Title of the Article, Journal Name, Volume, Pages, Year.

(b) For two authors

Surname, Initials and Surname, Initials, Title of the Article, Journal Name, Volume, Pages, Year.

(c) For more than two authors

Surname, Initials, Surname, Initials, and Surname, Initials, Title of the Article, Journal Name, Volume, Pages, Year.

While citing the references in the text, the following format should be followed: Surname (Year) or Surname et al. (Year)

The names of the Journals should be typed as per the style followed by any standard international organization / abstracting Journal such as IEEE / Chemical Abstracts / Current Contents / Physics Abstracts, etc.



Annexure – D

Candidate's Declaration

I, certify that the work embodied in this Ph.D. thesis is my own bonafide work carried out by me under the supervision of and the co-supervision of for a period of from to at Chotanagpur Law College and

The matter embodied in this Ph.D. thesis has not been submitted for the award of any other degree / diploma.

(Name of the Institution where work has been carried out partly or fully)

I declare that I have faithfully acknowledged, given credit to and referred to the research workers wherever their works have been cited in the text and the body of the thesis. I further certify that I have not willfully lifted up some other's work, para, text, data, results, etc. reported in the journals, books, magazines, reports, dissertations, theses, etc., or available at web-sites and included them in this Ph.D. thesis and cited as my own work.

Date:

(Signature of the candidate)

Place : Ranchi

(Name of the candidate)

Certificate from the Supervisor / Co-supervisor

This is to certify that the above statement made by the candidate is correct to the best of my / our knowledge.

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(External Co-supervisor's signature,
Name & Designation)

.....
(External Supervisor's signature,
Name & Designation)

.....
(Co-supervisor's signature,
Name & Designation)

.....
(Supervisor's signature,
Name & Designation)

(Signature of the Principal of the Autonomous College with seal)



Annexure – E

Copyright Transfer Certificate

Title of the Thesis : Candidate's Name:

Copyright Transfer

The undersigned hereby assigns to the CNLC, Ranchi all rights under copyright that may exist in and for the above thesis submitted for the award of the Ph.D. degree.

Signature of the candidate

Note: However, the author may reproduce or authorize others to reproduce material extracted verbatim from the thesis or derivative of the thesis for author's personal use provided that the source and the University/college copyright notice are indicated.

Name of the Candidate:

Title of the Thesis :



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An Autonomous Institution of Ranchi University, Ranchi
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Ph. D. Adjudication Report

From

To

Prof. Dr.

Dean, Academic and Research

Chotanagpur Law College, Ranchi

An Autonomous Institution of Ranchi University, Ranchi

Nyay Vihar Campus, Namkum, Ranchi-834010.

1. Name of the Candidate : _____
2. Subject : _____
3. Title of the Thesis : _____

Part - I : Detailed Evaluation

Kindly adjudicate the Thesis under the following Three heads: **Quality, Content and Presentation** and grade each of them on a scale of **1 – 5** where:

“5” stands for “Excellent”

“4” stands for “Very Good”

“3” stands for “Good”

“2” stands for “Satisfactory”

“1” stands for “Poor”



Quality: 9 X 5 = 45 Marks (Maximum)

1. Introduction of the work:
2. Review of literature
3. Scope of the work
4. Technical soundness
(Research methodology/experimental set-up)
5. Problem statement
6. Originality of work
7. Timeliness of work
8. Contribution of the field
9. Conclusions drawn

Content: 3 X 10 = 30 Marks (Maximum)

10. Adequacy of data and information
11. Organization of the thesis
12. Practical applications/utility

Presentation: 5 X 5 = 25 Marks (Maximum)

13. Clear explanation of the work:
14. Sufficient details of the methods/techniques adopted
15. Justification of the work done:
16. Clarity and unambiguity of the language:
17. Freedom from redundant/irrelevant material

and error.

Total Score out of 100

(In words _____))



Part – II: A Detailed Report

Kindly enclose a detailed report on a separate sheet of paper in addition to the above proforma. For the award of the said degree the thesis must form a distinct contribution to the knowledge in the subject and afford evidence of originality shown either by the discovery of new facts or by the exercise of independent critical analytical power. A detailed report on the strengths and weaknesses of the Thesis is most essential.

Part – III: Final Recommendation

It is my considered opinion that: [Please put Mark]

- A) The thesis be accepted for the award of Ph.D. degree in its present form
- B) The thesis be revised and resubmitted
- C) The thesis be rejected

Note:- The thesis can be accepted for the award of Ph.D. Degree only if the candidate secures 50% or more points in Part-I (Detailed Evaluation).

Dated : Signature of the Examiner



Annexure – G

Format of Examiner's Report on Revised Thesis

Recommendation on Revised Ph.D. Thesis

Name of the Candidate :

Title of the Thesis :

Please give your specific recommendation by ticking (b) any one of the following, with signature underneath and enclose your detailed report on separate sheet(s) with your signature, name and address.

The thesis be accepted for the award of the Ph.D. degree

OR

The thesis be rejected. (Please enclose your comments).

Place :

Signature of the Examiner.....

Date :

Name and Address of the Examiner

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Encl: Detailed report on separate sheet(s).

**Annexure – H****Table – 1****Fees Structure for Ph.D. Programme for Full-Time Research Scholars**

S. No.	Particulars		
I.	Fees payable		
1.	1 st Semester fee (including Academic & Registration)	₹ 40,000	
2.	2 nd Semester fee (including Academic & Library etc.)	₹ 25,000	
3.	3 rd Semester fee (including Academic & Library etc.)	₹ 25,000	
4.	4 th Semester fee (including Academic & Library etc.)	₹ 25,000	
5.	5 th Semester fee (including Academic & Library etc.)	₹ 25,000	
6.	6 th Semester fee (including Academic & Examination)	₹ 55,000	
	After 3 years (from 7th Semester Onwards) ₹10,000/- per semester shall be payable		
Total		₹ 1,95,000	

Fee Structure for Part-Time Research Scholars

1.	1st Semester fee (including Academic & Registration)	₹ 50,000	
2.	2nd Semester fee (including Academic & Library etc.)	₹ 40,000	
3.	3rd Semester fee (including Academic & Library etc.)	₹ 40,000	
4.	4th Semester fee (including Academic & Library etc.)	₹ 40,000	
5.	5th Semester fee (including Academic & Library etc.)	₹ 40,000	
6.	6th Semester fee (including Academic & Library etc.)	₹ 40,000	
8.	7th Semester fee (including Academic & Library etc.))	₹40,000	
9.	8th Semester fee (including Academic & Examination)	₹55,000	
	After 4 years (From 8th Semester Onwards) ₹10,000/- per semester shall be payable		
Total		₹ 3,45,000	



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**Appointment of Two External Examiners to
evaluate the thesis for the
Degree of Ph.D.**

Name of the Candidate	:
Term of Registration	:
CHOTANAGPUR LAW COLLEGE RANCHI	
Topic of Research	:

Name of examiners recommended by the Research Advisory Committee at its meeting held on .

(A) Indian Examiners but outside Ranchi (at least FOUR)			
1. Name : Address : City : PIN : e-mail : Tel. : Contact No. :	4. Name : Address : City : PIN : e-mail : Tel. : Contact No. :	2. Name : Address : City : PIN : e-mail : Tel. : Contact No. :	5. Name : Address : City : PIN : e-mail : Tel. : Contact No. :
3. Name : Address : City : PIN : e-mail : Tel. : Contact No. :	6. Name : Address : City : PIN : e-mail : Tel. : Contact No. :		



Note:

1. RAC should send FOUR names of Indian examiners covering all the regions of the country EXCEPT RANCHI and also FOUR names of experts from foreign universities.
2. Complete postal address including the name of the City / Country in which the Department / university is located Pin / Zip Code, e-mail and Fax / Phone number must also be sent for obtaining quick consent from the experts. In case of e-mail ID please ensure that the same is written LEGIBLY or types correctly.
3. In the case of retired person position held by the examiners at the time of retirement should be clearly mentioned while giving his residential address.

For the use of the Dean (Academics & Research of the concerned Faculty):

S.No.:

Approved from panel of Examiner's from India.

Signature of the Dean (Academics & Research)
(along with seal)

Controller of Examinations

**(B) Foreign Examiners (if required)**

1. Name : Address :	2. Name : Address :
Country PIN : e-mail : Contact No. :	ZIP : Country PIN : e-mail : Contact No. :

Signatures of the RAC Members

1.	4.
2.	5.
3.	6.

Chairman, RAC

Certified that:-

1. All the Examiners are / has been of the designation of Professor / Associate Professor;
2. All the addresses are complete including PIN / ZIP code;
3. All the addresses are official or where the address is not official, the position held by the addresses is clearly stated;
4. The proforma is complete in all respect.

For the use of the Dean of the concerned Faculty:

S.No. : approved from panel of Examiner's from India.

Controller of Examinations



Annexure – I

Paper –II

Paper Code: Ph.D.-102

Research Methodology, Research Ethics & Computer Application

[4 Credits]

Full Marks : 100

Passing Marks : 55

I. Introduction

This course is designed to equip scholars with a comprehensive understanding of legal research methodology, ethical research practices, and the use of computer applications in academic work. It introduces the conceptual foundations of research, procedural aspects of conducting legal research, academic writing standards, and the responsible use of digital tools. Emphasis is placed on research integrity, publication ethics, and the prevention of academic misconduct in the contemporary research environment.

II. Course Objectives

- To introduce the fundamental principles and objectives of legal research.
- To develop skills in designing and conducting doctrinal and empirical legal research.
- To train scholars in academic writing, citation methods, and research documentation.
- To familiarize students with computer applications and digital tools used in legal research.
- To promote awareness of research ethics, publication standards, and academic integrity.

III. Course Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, students will be able to:

- Understand and apply different methods of legal research.
- Formulate research problems and prepare effective research designs.
- Conduct literature review, collect and analyze data, and test hypotheses.
- Use computer applications and online tools efficiently for legal research.
- Follow proper citation practices and avoid plagiarism.
- Demonstrate adherence to research ethics and publication standards.



IV. Course Structure And Recommended Readings

Unit I: Fundamentals of Legal Research

Meaning, Object, and Criteria of Research

Importance of Research

Types of Research: Doctrinal and Non-Doctrinal

Legal Research in India: Problems and Challenges

Formulation of Research Problem

References / Recommended Readings

- C.R. Kothari, Research Methodology: Methods and Techniques
- S.K. Verma & M. Afzal Wani, Legal Research and Methodology
- William J. Grade & Paul K. Hatt, Methods in Social Research

Unit II: Research Methodology and Writing

Research Methodology: Procedural Guidelines for Research Process

Survey of Literature and Working Hypothesis

Preparation of Research Design, Sample Determination, Data Collection, and Analysis

Testing of Hypothesis and Review of Literature

Writing Research Papers: Structure, Layout, and Chapterization

Citation Methods: Footnotes, Bibliography, Abbreviations, and Use of Quotations

References / Recommended Readings

- John W. Creswell, Research Design: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methods Approaches
- Upendra Baxi, Socio-Legal Research in India
- The Bluebook: A Uniform System of Citation / OSCOLA Citation Guide

Unit III: Computer Applications in Legal Research

Word Processing, Data Processing, and Graphical Processing

Use of Online Research Tools and Legal Databases

Application of Excel, SPSS, and Graphical Software

Use of Multimedia Tools in Legal Research

Citation Management Software and Plagiarism Detection Tools

References / Recommended Readings

- Eugene Volokh, Academic Legal Writing
- Guides on SCC Online, Manupatra, HeinOnline, and JSTOR
- Turnitin & Urkund User Manuals (for academic use)



Unit IV: Research Ethics and Publication Standards

Research Ethics: Intellectual Honesty and Research Integrity

Scientific Misconduct: Falsification, Fabrication, and Plagiarism (FFP)

Redundant Publication: Duplication, Overlapping Publication, and

Salami Slicing Selective Reporting and Misrepresentation of Data

Publication Ethics: Concept, Importance, and Best Practices

Authorship Ethics, Contributorship, and Conflicts of Interest

Guidelines by COPE, WAME, and Other International Bodies

Identifying Predatory Publishers and Journals

Avoiding Plagiarism: Use of Detection Tools

Preparation of Academic Documents: MoUs and Confidentiality Agreements

References / Recommended Readings

- Committee on Publication Ethics (COPE) Guidelines
- WAME (World Association of Medical Editors) Publication Ethics Policies
- UGC Regulations on Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism
- Elsevier & Springer Publication Ethics Guidelines



Paper –III

Paper Code: Ph.D.-103

RESEARCH PROPOSAL -PREPARATION, PRESENTATION & VIVA-VOCE

[Total Credits: 4]

(2 Credits for Preparation & Presentation + 2 Credits for Viva-Voce)

Full Marks: 100

Passing Marks: 55

I. Introduction

This course is designed to train research scholars in the systematic preparation, effective presentation, and academic defense of their research proposals. It focuses on developing clarity of research design, articulation of research gaps, methodological planning, and ethical awareness. The course also enhances scholars' academic communication skills and prepares them to confidently defend their research before an expert panel through viva-voce examination.

II. Course Objectives

- To enable scholars to identify and formulate clear and researchable problems.
- To develop the ability to prepare a structured and methodologically sound research proposal.
- To enhance academic presentation and scholarly communication skills.
- To prepare scholars for critical academic discussions and expert evaluation.
- To ensure understanding of research ethics, academic integrity, and plagiarism norms.

III. Course Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this course, scholars will be able to:

- Develop a well-structured and logically framed research proposal.
- Conducts focused literature review and identify research gaps.
- Formulate research questions, hypotheses, and appropriate methodology.
- Deliver clear and professional academic presentations.
- Confidently defend their research proposal during viva-voce.
- Demonstrate awareness of ethical standards in academic research.

IV. Course Structure And Recommended Readings

Unit I: Research Proposal Preparation

Understanding Research Problems and Objectives

Review of Literature and Identification of Research Gaps



- Formulation of Research Hypothesis and Research Questions
- Structuring a Research Proposal: Objectives, Scope, and Methodology
- Citation Methods and Referencing Styles
- Ethical Considerations in Research

References / Recommended Readings

- C.R. Kothari, Research Methodology: Methods and Techniques
- John W. Creswell, Research Design: Qualitative, Quantitative and Mixed Methods Approaches
- S.K. Verma & M. Afzal Wani, Legal Research and Methodology
- The Bluebook / OSCOLA Citation Guide
- UGC Regulations on Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism

Unit II : Presentation of Research Proposal

- Techniques for Effective Academic Presentation
- Use of Visual Aids: PowerPoint, Graphs, and Charts
- Communication and Public Speaking Skills
- Handling Questions and Academic Discussions
- Time Management and Structuring a Research Presentation

References / Recommended Readings

- Mark Z. Danielewski, Presenting Your Research Effectively
- Garr Reynolds, Presentation Zen
- Guides on Academic Communication Skills and Conference Presentations

Unit III: Viva-Voce Examination

- Defense of Research Proposal and Methodology
- Critical Analysis and Justification of Research Topic
- Demonstration of Theoretical and Practical Knowledge
- Ability to Respond to Critical Evaluation and Questions
- Understanding of Research Ethics, Plagiarism, and Academic Integrity

References / Recommended Readings

- Eugene Volokh, Academic Legal Writing
- COPE (Committee on Publication Ethics) Guidelines
- Institutional Ph.D. Regulations and Viva-Voce Guidelines

