* 1. **Promotion of Research and Facilities**

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| **3.1.1 The Institution has a well defined policy for promotion of systemic and discipline based research. Also, explain the assigned budget for research and its utilization, methods for implementation and monitoring.**  **Response:**  Madhya Pradesh Bhoj Open University is an UGC recognized university with the status of Open University, established in 1991, under an act by the Govt. of M.P. with headquarter at Bhopal. The area of operation of the university extends to the entire state of Madhya Pradesh with 11 Regional centers and 413 study centers .  Madhya Pradesh Bhoj Open University practices a well-defined research policy, developed very intensively. University’s research policy, which promotes systemic and discipline based research, was created to facilitate research-oriented environment, strengthen research management and coordination, improve research culture in the university, mobilize and manage funds for quality research and innovation. University’s research policy aims to provide guidelines to establish research standards, resource mobilization, compliance of research ethics and provide incentives/awards for research achievements. [*URL of Policy Document*]. The salient features of the university’s research policy are-   1. Promoting ease of doing research on socially, politically and economically relevant subjects 2. Conducting research on the existing and emerging areas of ODL 3. Ensuring integrity, quality and ethics in research 4. Building up national and international academic relationships 5. Encouraging need based research in new areas through interdisciplinary approach   **University in Systematic Research**  Systematic research follows the evidences on clearly articulated research problems that utilize systematic and explicit methodology to critically appraise the problem taken into consideration. MPBOU is striving to set up such a conducive research environment that keeps our faculty members motivated and engaged in research endeavors. Faculty members are encouraged to collaborate with external agencies for research projects and grants and publish their research in the journals of higher academic repute.  University has established three research chairs namely Gandhian Chair, Bhoj Chair, and Tribal Chair to conduct and promote systematic research in particular domain.  **University in Discipline-based Research**  In accordance with UGC Regulation 2009 and with frequent amendments in the said regulation, the Research Degree Programs (i.e., Ph.D.) are managed by the Academic Council, Research Development Committee (RDC), and Departmental Research Committee (DRC). Research ethics is promoted and unfair practices in research are controlled by following the guidelines of University’s research policy.  Research Council of the university coordinates research activities between different schools and institutes of the university . These schools and institutes are encouraged to conduct induction programs and workshops for the students registered in the Ph.D. Programs of the university. The university also proposed to provide financial support under the ‘Raja Bhoj Research Fellowship’ scheme to 20 full-time scholars who will not receive any financial support from any other sources (2022) during their fellowship period.  University has a dedicated budget for research-related endeavors of the teachers. Faculty members are also encouraged to take up or collaborate with research projects from external government and non-government agencies.  The Research Degree guidelines have been prepared for Registration, Supervision, Program Design, Evaluation, and award of Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.) These guidelines have been recommended and approved by the coordination Committee in its 60th meeting held on June 25,1999at item (10)-1of part B and adopted by the Board of Management in the 8th Meeting held on July 3rd 1999. Under these guidelines the University started Ph. D in the year 2002 in following 28 subjects.  The total number of thesis awarded so far is 323.   1. Biotechnology 2. Botany 3. Chemistry 4. Chemistry with ICT 5. Computer science 6. Economics 7. Education 8. English 9. Fine arts 10. Hindi 11. History 12. Home science 13. Journalism 14. Journalism with Mass communication 15. Law 16. Library and Information science 17. Management 18. Mathematics 19. Microbiology 20. Multimedia education 21. Nursing 22. Physics 23. Political science 24. Psychology 25. Sanskrit 26. Sociology 27. Yoga 28. Zoology   **Major steps for Ph.D. Program -**   1. Submission of Application 2. PPT presentation /Open discussion in RDC 3. Confirmation of Registration 4. Course Work 5. Pre-Submission Presentation 6. Submission of Final Thesis 7. Evaluation of the Thesis and Final Viva-voce 8. Notification for Ph D award 9. Confirming Ph.D. Degree |

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| The Gazette of India, July 11, 2009 University Grants Commission (U.G.C.) (Minimum Standards And Procedure For Awards Of M.Phil./Ph.D. Degree), Regulation, 2009, had discontinued the M.Phil. and Ph.D. program through distance mode. Taking into consideration these guidelines, the university decided to postpone new admission in Ph.D. and M.Phil. Programs. Hence the M.Phil. and Ph.D. Programs were s suspended from 2009. The university is planning to resume the Ph.D programs according to the UGC regulation (2016) | | |
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