SHODH Rules and Regulation

- 1. Students admitted after 1st July 2022 in regular full-time mode in PhD course in a recognized government and private university located in the state who meet the following eligibility criteria can apply under this scheme
 - Minimum 55% marks (without gracing and round off) in post-Graduation or equivalent grades. Five percent (5%) relaxation of marks (without gracing and round off) will be given to the SC/ ST/ OBC (Non-Creamy layer)/ Differently abled candidates.
 - The applicant must have confirmed Ph.D. admission in State/ Sectorial/Private University or Research Institute in Gujarat in regular fulltime mode only after Date: 01-07-2018. Students studying in Institutes of National Importance will not be covered under this scheme.
 - Candidates who have already availed UGC Junior Research Fellowship (JRF)/Rajiv Gandhi Doctoral Fellowship (RGDF)/ Maulana Azad Doctoral Fellowship (MADF)/ICSSR/ICAR/CSIR/ ICPR/ICMR/ICHR awardees etc. or availing any other research scholarships are not eligible to apply.
 - The candidate should not be earning money or working at any institute or organization.
 - Any student who has taken admission in regular full time Ph.D. course in State/ Sectorial/ Private University or research institutions of the State having no source of income is also eligible to apply.
 - The candidate should have taken admission in Ph.D. Course as per the Regulations of UGC modified from time to time.
 - The approval and eligibility criteria as per Nos. 1 to 6 shall be applicable during the entire period of the scheme up to a maximum of two years starting from the time the application is approved by the Committee of Commendation. Violation of this norm or any single norm at any time during the entire period shall result in the applicant losing his/her eligibility from the date of sanction and thus forfeiting the eligibility from the first and the entire amount has to be refunded along with 18% from the first.
- 2. Each university shall appoint a senior officer as the nodal officer for the Shodh scheme who shall verify the documents uploaded by the students at the time of online application under the scheme as per the provisions of the resolution and approve the applications and approve or otherwise as per the rules at the first

stage and do justice to all the operations of the scheme at the University level will be liable to give.

- 3. The Nodal Officer of the University will verify the applicant's original documents along with the uploaded documents online. Document verification process can be done online using the SSO User ID and Password, if required they can ask for the required information or documents from students.
- 4. The following documents are to be submitted by the student (not limited) to the University Nodal Officer for verification without delay.
 - Bonafide certificate issued by University
 - Bank account details with Xerox copy of passbook and cancelled cheque
 - SSC marksheet and certificate
 - Graduation level passed marksheet and degree certificate
 - Post-Graduation level passed marksheet and degree certificate
 - Category certificate, if applicable
 - Ph.D. Registration Certificate
 - Ph.D. registration fee receipt and First Term fee receipt
 - Research Proposal with seal and signature of the Research Supervisor/Guide/HoD
 - Self-Declaration certificate (Proforma is uploaded on SHODH website)
 University Identity Card
 - Other documents as and when demanded by Nodal Officer of the University
- 5. If any discrepancy is found between the online application and the original document, the University Nodal Officer may seek clarification from the student.
- 6. If the student fails to reply satisfactorily with the required evidence, the Nodal Officer of the University may reject or cancel the application and no objection can be entertained later on.
- 7. While verifying the documents of the student, the University Nodal Officer shall approve the application only after considering the eligibility criteria and other necessary provisions of Education Department budget no/2019/N.BA.649/KH-1 on the Date 05/08/2019 and circular instructions from time to time and these rules or clarifications.
- 8. The University Nodal Officer may communicate with the students through email and phone. The University Nodal Officer shall inform the KCG without

fail of valid reasons for rejection of any application. Applications submitted with false or insufficient documents will be rejected by the KCG.

- 9. Applications approved by University Nodal Officers will automatically be received by KCG through online mode and after all verification will be placed before the committee of commendation.
- 10. The University Nodal Officers shall also submit the forwarding letter with the list of all eligible and approved candidates to the kcg with signature and stamp of the registrar, after which the applications shall be considered eligible to be placed before the scrutiny committee.
- 11. The applications received by KCG which are found to be suitable in all respects will be printed out and placed before the Committee for scrutiny for final approval, with the following criteria or other criteria as may be decided by taking the final decision of approval or disapproval.

No	Criterion	Marks
1	The originality of the research proposal and its novelty for the subject	10
	and the new addition to the subject or analysis which will help in	
	further research.	
2	Aims and objectives of the research that are to be achieved by	15
	promoting new knowledge and related dimensions.	
3	Feasibility of adequate and relevant literature survey or review	20
4	Clarification of research design and methods that seem outstanding	20
5	Importance of the expected results of the research and the importance	20
	of applying the research proposal in the context of the socially useful	
	field that will lead to improvements from the general to the wider	
	community.	
6	Availability of necessary infrastructure equipment guidance etc.	15
	whether for the title or topic prescribed for research can be proceeded	
	on the basis of feasibility and completion?	
7	Total marks	100

12. Applications will be considered valid only if at least 50 percent of the marks given by the committee of the work have been obtained, no grading marks will be given. No full consideration will be given to applications approved or rejected by the Committee unless there is an error in the calculation of marks.

- 13. Titles about PhD are selected by considering their quality, social usefulness etc. and applications for subjects or titles that fall short of the standards set by the committee are rejected.
- 14. KCG will disburse the amount by directly depositing in the student's account through DBT on a monthly basis after preparing the necessary attachment etc.
- 15. KCG Attendance Progress and RDC Report will handle all the responsibilities of student queries and resolution implementation as per the resolution rules.
- 16. Every student has to upload the attendance progress and RDC report of each month on the third day of the next month and the nodel officer has to do mandatory verification by the second day of the uploaded report. The nodal officer must give strict instructions to the students to upload the report on the first day of every month so that the payment of regular stipend can be made without delay.
- 17. Eligibility criteria must continue as per the rules from beginning to end so in case of refund of stipend the eligibility criteria will be applicable from the time the application is approved by the Committee till the entire duration of the scheme. If these norms are breached at any time during the entire period of study, the applicant shall not lose the validity of his application from the date of sanction or from the date of breach which means that it is mandatory to return the full amount received from the first day with interest as indicated in these norms. In case of violation at any time during the entire period, action will be taken as per the resolution, for this no dispute is expected. Furthermore, the amount of scholarship with interest shall be refunded at any time even after the period of concealment of information or willful violation of rules or false information.
- 18. A student can get the full amount of Shodh Yojana assistance or invalidate or lose recognition or self-cancellation as per those rules, the recognition is completely canceled from the first day and hence no student can partially benefit from the scheme for a certain period of time. The system of giving benefits on a partial basis is not decided, for example, if a higher amount of job or loan or scholarship or assistance is granted to another institution or the Central or State Government and even if the PhD is not cancelled, the full amount received from the first day will have to be returned with interest. to make a decision.

- 19. The questions or problems of the students should be discussed with the advisor and the appropriate solution should be decided
- 20. Once the application is rejected by the committee, it cannot be repeated in the second year with that subject title, half of the registered subjects will be permanently canceled for this scheme. Can be done, they will be given the correct answer only information related to their half. But it should be noted that the application rejected by the committee cannot be re-validated under any circumstances or reason
- 21. The students who will be benefiting from this scheme will decide whether to entrust the academic or other work of the department of the college or university to their students or not. Kept for two more years Today if the student submits before or during this period and completes his studies then he will not be eligible to get Shodh at that time or later so report the matter to KCG otherwise the amount paid after that time with interest The case shall be repaid to KCG by fine or post along with the prescribed submission form.