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All the Deans / Acting Deans, Directors, Chairpersons, Head of Departments, Incharges, Coordinators of Academic Departments
Government College University, Faisalabad.

Subject: **WRITTEN COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION OF PHD STUDENTS (SPRING 2026)**

It is to inform that written comprehensive examination for PhD students is scheduled to be held in the Spring 2026. The following PhD students can apply for above said examination.

- a) Fresh qualified / pass in PhD course work.
- b) Fail in comprehensive examination and has the chance to appear again.

The candidates shall forward under-mentioned documents within due date.

- a) Comprehensive Form (E-30) duly filled and signed by the Chairperson & Dean.
- b) Comprehensive exam fee of Rs.5000/- paid voucher in original.
- c) Copy of all semesters fee vouchers or fee detail from student portal verified by Treasurer office.
- d) Copy of result cards of MPhil & PhD course work duly attested by Chairperson.
- e) Notification copy of fail result of comprehensive exam (if availing 2nd attempt).
- f) Copy of approved scheme of studies of relevant session verified by the Chairperson.

You are requested to make necessary arrangements and forward the forms of eligible PhD students alongwith above said documents/relevant data in the office of undersigned latest by 23-02-2026.

Prof. Dr. Matloob Ahmad
Director,
Advanced Studies

Copy for information and necessary action:

1. PS to Vice Chancellor,
2. Registrar Office,
3. Controller of Examinations,
4. IT Manager (to display on University Website & PhD students' portal)
5. Record File.

Guidelines for Appearing in the Ph.D. Comprehensive Examination

1. Eligibility Criteria

The following candidates are eligible to apply:

- a) Fresh candidates who have successfully passed Ph.D. coursework with a minimum CGPA of 3.00 or above, duly verified by the Chairperson.
- b) Candidates who have passed STA-795 (Compulsory) or an approved equivalent course.
- c) Candidates who have previously failed the Comprehensive Examination and are eligible to reappear as per university rules.

2. Additional Conditions

- a) Two complete sets of files (one original and one photocopy) must be submitted to the Office of Advanced Studies within the prescribed due date.
- b) STA-795 passed during M.Phil. at GCUF shall be considered compulsory and valid for Ph.D. studies.
- c) If STA-795 was passed from another university, an approved equivalence certificate, duly verified by the Chairperson of the Department of Statistics, must be submitted.
- d) A minimum of 18 credit hours is required to appear in the Comprehensive Examination.

3. Required Documents

Applicants must submit the following documents along with their application:

- a) Comprehensive Examination Form (E-30) duly filled and signed by the Chairperson and Dean.
- b) Original paid fee voucher of the Comprehensive Examination amounting to Rs. 5,000/-.
- c) Verified copy of the entry/admission test result, duly attested by the Chairperson.
- d) Verified copies of all semester fee vouchers or fee details obtained from the student portal, duly verified by the Treasurer's Office.
- e) Attested copies of result cards of M.Phil. and Ph.D. coursework, duly verified by the Chairperson.
- f) Copy of the notification of failed Comprehensive Examination result (only for candidates applying for a second attempt).
- g) Verified copy of the approved Scheme of Studies for the relevant academic session, duly attested by the Chairperson.
- h) Copy of the Scheme of Studies from the Prospectus applicable to the year of admission, duly verified by the Chairperson.
- i) Evidence of passing STA-795 (Compulsory) or an approved equivalent course, along with an equivalence certificate (if applicable), duly verified by the Chairperson.