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**Subject: Supervision of PhD Scholars by Faculty having FCPS**

Dear Sir/Madam,

Reference is made to earlier correspondence on the subject matter. As per approved policy there should be at least two (02) relevant full time Ph.D. faculty members in a department to launch the M.Phil/MS/MBA programs and at least three (03) relevant full time Ph.D. faculty members in a department to launch the doctoral program.

I am directed to clarify that academically FCPS is equivalent to MPhil/MS degree and not PhD degree. Therefore, just like other disciplines, if MS /MPhil /PhD Program is to be initiated, then the above mentioned requirement of relevant faculty should be met. Further, a doctoral scholar can only be supervised by a faculty member having PhD degree and faculty member having other professional qualifications such as FCPS cannot supervise the doctoral scholar.

With kind regards,

(Hakim Ali Talpur)

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