



## KERALA AGRICULTURAL UNIVERSITY

KAU - Edu - Conduct of final Viva Voce PG examination and of Ph.D programme in Hybrid Mode - Approved - Orders Issued

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### DIRECTORATE OF EDUCATION

No : KAUEDU/1742/2024 - EDU B2 (i)

Dated. Vellanikkara, 07-04-2025

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- Read:-
- 1.Minutes of 68 th meeting of Board of Studies of Faculty of Agriculture held on 20.07.2024 (Item 9/68)
  - 2.Minutes of the Special meeting of the Academic Council held on 07.12.2024 Item No:II (2)
  - 3.Academic Handbook - 2023, Regulations for PG programmes, Clause 34 & 34 (c)
  - 4.KAU Statute SRO No.334/72 Clause 3 (11)
  - 5.KAU Statute SRO No.529/72 Clause 3 (ii)

### ORDER

The Dean, CoA, Vellanikkara has placed a proposal before the 68 th meeting of Board of Studies of Faculty of Agriculture to allow the conduct of final Viva Voce PG examination and of Ph.D programme in hybrid mode, under unavoidable circumstances, when any member of the examination panel including the external examiner is unable to attend the examination on the scheduled date.

As per regulations vide paper read (3) the board of examiners for conducting the final viva voce examination for the Ph.D. programme shall consist of the chairperson and members of the advisory committee and an external examiner. For Masters programme the board of examiners shall consist of the chairperson and members of the advisory committee. As per Clause 34(c) thereon, if any of the members of the board of examiners excluding the external examiner fails to turn up on the date fixed for the examination the Head of the institution shall appoint a suitable substitute examiner and report to the University.

The Board of Studies, Faculty of Agriculture vide paper read (1) has recommended the Academic Council, the proposal for conducting the final viva voce examinations of PG/PhD programmes in hybrid mode.

As per the provisions laid down in the University statute vide (4), the Board of Studies has the powers to make recommendations to the Academic Council, in regard to the course of study and examinations in the subjects with which it deals. As per provisions laid down vide (5), the Academic Council have the powers to make regulations relating to the conduct of examinations and to maintain and promote standards of education.

The Academic Council as per paper read (2) has approved the recommendation of Board of Studies.

In the circumstances, in consonance with the decision of Academic Council, the following orders are issued.

Permission is hereby granted for the conduct of final Viva Voce examination of all Post Graduate programmes (PG and Ph.D) in hybrid mode, under unavoidable circumstances, when any member of the examination panel including the external examiner is unavailable to physically attend the examination on the scheduled date.

**By Order of the Academic Council**

**Dr. S GOPAKUMAR  
DIRECTOR OF EDUCATION**

To

1. All Deans of Faculty/ Deans of all colleges under KAU
2. The Controller of Examinations, KAU
3. The ADR(UG), KAU
4. The ADR(PG), KAU
5. The Professor(Academic), KAU
6. Academic Officers of all colleges under KAU.
7. Programmer, (Edu), KAU (for publishing in the website)

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