



Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University

APPLICATION FOR RECOGNITION AS A RESEARCH CENTRE



DETAILS OF THE APPLICANT INSTITUTION:

Name of the Institution : _____

Address of the Institution : _____

Date of Submission of Application : _____

ABOUT THE KRANTIGURU SHYAMJI KRISHNA VERMA KACHCHH UNIVERSITY

Since its establishment in 2003, the Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma (KSKV) Kachchh University, Bhuj, has been a transformative force in the region, providing accessible higher education to thousands of students across the vast Kachchh district. Prior to the university's inception, many students faced significant barriers to pursuing higher education, either abandoning their aspirations due to geographical constraints or migrating to distant cities for their studies. In this context, the university has become a vital institution, offering hope and opportunities to students in the region, particularly in the aftermath of the devastating 2001 earthquake. Named after the revered freedom fighter Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma, the university is dedicated to promoting critical thinking, creativity, and innovation- values embodied by the figure it honors. The university's expansive 205-acre campus, surrounded by lush greenery, is home to nearly 1,400 students enrolled in diverse programs across arts, commerce, management, and science in 16 postgraduate departments. Additionally, it serves as a hub for learning through its 52 affiliated colleges and five extension centers, which extend educational opportunities to communities in and around Bhuj. In line with the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020, the university has updated its undergraduate curricula to align with the new guidelines, demonstrating its commitment to modernizing education. As a state university, it operates under the unified governing statute outlined in the Gujarat Public Universities Act, 2023. Granted UGC-2F status in 2004, UGC -2B status in 2018, NAAC Accreditation in 2025, the university is swiftly advancing in teaching, research, community service, and social change. The university boasts a robust research, academic and administrative infrastructure, including a central administrative building, a well-stocked central library, academic buildings, smart classrooms, advance laboratories, extraordinary museums, hostels for both boys and girls, a sports complex, open door sports grounds, and seminar halls. Furthermore, several upcoming infrastructures like a state-of-the-art auditorium with a seating capacity of 1,000, students' facility center, physical fitness center, Kachchh museum, Digital Studio and vehicle free zones are under construction.

CATALYZING RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, AND INNOVATION IN THE RAPIDLY DEVELOPING KACHCHH REGION THROUGH RESEARCH CENTERS AT INSTITUTES/COLLEGES AFFILIATED WITH KRANTIGURU SHYAMJI KRISHNA VERMA KACHCHH UNIVERSITY

The Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University, the only university in India's largest district. The Kachchh region itself acts as a vast living laboratory, offering immense potential for interdisciplinary research, innovation, and academic advancement. The university offers a diverse range of academic programs, including over 20 Ph.D. courses, more than 40 postgraduate and integrated programs, over 30 undergraduate courses, and more than 15 diploma and certificate courses, both on campus and through its affiliated colleges. The research and development strength of the university is evident in the presence of more than 160 recognized Ph.D. guides across the university campus, affiliated colleges, and State/Central Government - recognized research institutes. These research guides, along with their scholars, have made significant contributions across various disciplines. This is reflected in over 500 research publications in peer-reviewed, referred, UGC CARE - listed, and SCOPUS - indexed journals, with impact factors reaching up to 14 and accumulating more than 10,000 citations. In addition, substantial work has been carried out in the field of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), evidenced by several published patents. Many research guides are actively engaged in research and consultancy projects and are consistently involved in organizing and participating in conferences, workshops, training programs, and seminars - ranging from the national to the international level. Furthermore, Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University has successfully implemented the National Education Policy (NEP)-2020 across its campus and all affiliated colleges. A key component of NEP-2020 is the integration of research from the undergraduate level itself, emphasizing the need for a robust research, innovation, and development ecosystem within both the university and its affiliated institutions. Considering the vast geographical expanse of the Kachchh region and to support research guides and scholars working in affiliated colleges and across diverse parts of the region, it is critically important to establish Research Centers at University-Affiliated institutes/colleges. Many faculty members in affiliated colleges are already recognized as Ph.D. guides and have registered several research scholars under their supervision. During subsequent years, many new students will also have the opportunity to enroll under the mentorship of these experienced guides. The establishment of Research Centers at the University-Affiliated institutes/colleges is therefore essential. These research centers will provide dedicated research spaces for Ph.D. scholars working at university affiliated institutes/colleges, along with key academic and

infrastructural facilities, including access to libraries, academic books, research journals, computers, internet connectivity, relevant software, subject-specific laboratories, instruments, and basic infrastructure such as desks, chairs, storage units, and cupboards. Such research centers will encourage increased interaction between Ph.D. scholars and their guides, facilitate regular meetings, and foster an active research environment. Moreover, as per UGC regulations, Ph.D. scholars may be assigned 4 to 6 hours per week of teaching or research assistance, including tutorials, lab sessions, and evaluations—thereby contributing directly to the academic ecosystem of their respective university affiliated colleges. In alignment with NEP–2020, final-year undergraduate students are also expected to undertake dissertation projects. These students will greatly benefit from the infrastructure and mentorship available at the Research Centers, where they can carry out guided research under the supervision of Ph.D. guides and scholars. In summary, the establishment of Research Centers in University-Affiliated institutes/colleges will significantly strengthen the research and development capacity of both the university and its partner institutions. This initiative will support affiliated institutes/colleges in various assessments and accreditations, including UGC 2(f)/12(B) status, NAAC, NIRF, GSIRF, and others. Additionally, these centers will enable meaningful research collaborations, foster innovation, and promote IPR and patent-related activities at the institutional level.





APPLICATION FORM FOR RECOGNITION AS A RESEARCH CENTER

Letter No.:

Date:

To,

The Registrar

Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University

Mundra Road, Near Changleshwar Mahadev Temple

Bhuj, Kachchh, Gujarat- 370001 (INDIA)

Subject: Request for Recognition as a Research Centre

Respected Sir,

We hereby wish to register the name of our Institute/College for recognition as a Research Centre in the subject(s) _____ under the faculty of _____ of the Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University. The detailed information about our Institute/College is provided in the appendix enclosed herewith. We kindly request you to consider our application and grant recognition to our Institute/College as an Research Centre in the subject(s) _____ under the faculty of _____.

Thanking you,

Yours Sincerely,

(Name & designation)

Rules for recognition as a Research Centre:

Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University offers certificate, diploma, undergraduate, postgraduate, and Ph.D. courses across various disciplines. In accordance with the National Education Policy (NEP)–2020 and UGC guidelines, the research component is a vital aspect of all Higher Education Institutions (HEIs). A Research Center at the affiliated institutes/colleges of the Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University should have the capacity to provide both basic and advanced research facilities, along with administrative support and research guidance. These centers must cater to undergraduate, postgraduate, and Ph.D. students, as well as faculty members of the concerned institute, fostering a culture of research, academic inquiry and innovation. Furthermore, the research programs offered by the university through its affiliated colleges must maintain high academic standards and actively support and promote cross-disciplinary teaching and research practices. Institutions must also ensure that the research undertaken aligns with both local needs and global challenges relevant to their respective disciplines.

To apply for the recognition of a Research Centre at the university-affiliated institutes/colleges, the following conditions must be fulfilled:

- Long standing repute with Under-Graduate (not less than 5 years) or with post-graduate teaching (not less than 3 years) in the concerned Subject.
- An institute with at least one Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University recognized research guide on the full-time regular teacher staff of the concerned subject.
- A dedicated space (room/hall) with basic furniture, based on the number of full-time and part-time Ph.D. students registered under the Ph.D. Guides of the concerned affiliated colleges, as well as the number of Ph. D. subject.
- A dedicated board/banner on the Research Center's main door stating "Research Center for _____, _____, _____, _____ Subjects".
- In the case of subjects related to laboratories and instruments, it is mandatory to have subject-specific lab facilities with necessary basic instruments. Additionally, there should be signage stating "Research Center for _____ Subject".
- A library with Research Center subject-related research and development books and journals.

- Computer facilities with internet access, proportional to the number of full-time and part-time Ph.D. students, including e-subscriptions to subject-related research journals. Wi-Fi facilities for students to work on their own laptops and mobile devices.
- Software facilities (subject-related) for data analysis.
- Printing facilities for research-related printouts.
- Table and chair facilities, accommodating the number of full-time and part-time Ph.D. students.
- Basic amenities such as tube lights, fans, switchboards, projector kit, air conditioning, etc.
- Online meeting facilities for students to discuss their research with co-guides, research collaborators, and university experts.
- A center table for conducting group meetings and sessions with Ph.D. students and Guides, including undergraduate students undertaking dissertation work.
- CCTV camera facilities for security.
- Drinking water facilities inside the centers.
- Refreshment options (if possible).
- Daily maintenance, including cleaning and upkeep
- Institute should be devoted to the promotion of Research Work.
- The Institute should have organized at least one International Level/ National level / State level/ University level/ Institute Level Seminar / Workshop / Symposia / conference.
- The University Committee will conduct a physical inspection of the proposed Research Center to verify the availability and adequacy of the facilities for recognition as a Research Center. Recognition will be granted based on the recommendation report submitted by the Committee.
- Recognition of Research Centre shall come to an end in case of any genuine complaints as well as if institution is compromising to provide basic subject related research, administration, laboratories, instrument and infrastructure facilities and no further renewal shall be allowed.
- Research Centers shall make adequate additional provisions in their regular budgets for providing the library & Laboratory support to Research Activities.
- Guides / supervisors of the Research Center should communicate the up-date about the candidate's performance to Research Center & University as per rules framed from time to time.

- Research Center should follow the Academic Calendar for research work given by the University.
- Research Center should organize at least two meetings in a year with Research Supervisor / guide as well as research students and the university and will maintain minutes of the meeting.
- The Research Centers shall furnish yearly reports with regard to research activity specifying details of any addition or deletion, ongoing/ completed research/ consultancy project, MoU Updates, event organized, Patents and IPR updates, Start-ups and Innovation updates to its infrastructural facilities, papers published, number of research guides actively engaged in research, number of students awarded Ph.D. Degree and number of students pursuing research towards Doctoral Degrees etc. These annual reports will be evaluated by the committee with regard to the research activities of the Institutions
- Once recognition as a Research Center is granted, the recognition will be valid for a period of five years. To continue the recognition beyond this period, the University will review the annual reports of the Research Centers as well as conduct an annual visit to the Research Centers. Renewal of the recognition will be based on the recommendation of the visiting committee.
- **Undertaking:** The institute applying for recognition of Research Center shall give an undertaking that they will abide by all the Directions / Order issued by the Vice-Chancellor and other officers of the University, in exercise of the powers conferred on them under the appropriate provisions of the ACT, Statutes, Ordinances, Regulations made there under as well as per the UGC, State and Central Government rules.

Seal of Institution

Signature & Seal of the Head of the Institution / College with date

Basic Information of the Institute:

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| Name of the Institution | : | |
| Address of the Institution | : | |
| Date of establishment | : | |
| Nature of the Institution | : | (Government / Grant-in-Aid / Autonomous / Self-financed) |
| Date of Affiliation with Krantiguru Shyamji Krishna Verma Kachchh University | : | |
| UGC 2(f) Recognition Status | : | (Yes / No) |
| UGC 12(B) Recognition Status | : | (Yes / No) |
| NAAC Accreditation Status | : | (Yes / No) |
| Whether the institution has applied to KSKVKU for recognition previously; if so specify the status of such application. | : | (Yes / No) |
| Whether the institution is recognized as a Research Centre by any other University/ Institution | : | |
| Location of the Institution | : | (Rural / Urban) |
| Name of the Head of the Institution | : | |
| Email ID of the Head of the Institution | : | |
| Contact Number of the Head of the Institution | : | |
| Number of Years the Institution has been Offering Undergraduate Programmes | : | |
| Number of Years the Institution has been Offering Postgraduate Programmes | : | |
| Has the Institution implemented NEP-2020? | : | (Yes / No) |
| Will the Institution offer 4-Year Undergraduate Programmes under NEP-2020 Guidelines? | : | (Yes / No) |
| If yes, please mention the subject names in which the institute will offer 4-Year Undergraduate Programs | : | |
| Number of Classrooms available for Coursework | : | |
| Number of Laboratories available for Research Activities | : | |
| List of Major Equipment Available in the Institution | : | (Attach a separate sheet) |

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| Number of Faculty Members in the Institution having Postgraduate Teacher Recognition from the KSKVKU | : | |
| Number of Faculty Members with Ph.D. Degrees | : | |
| Number of Faculty Members Recognized as Ph.D. Guides by KSKVKU | : | |
| Subjects in which Faculty Members have Ph.D. Guideship Recognition from KSKVKU | : | |
| Number of Students Pursuing Ph.D. under Institution's Faculty | : | (Attach a separate sheet with details: Student Name, Guide Name, Subject of Ph.D.) |
| Number of Active MoUs Signed by the Institution | : | |
| Total Number of Research Publications by the Institution in Peer- Reviewed/ Referred/ UGC CARE-LISTED/ SCOPUS Indexed Journals | : | |
| Number of Research and Consultancy Projects (Completed and Ongoing) | : | |
| Number of Seminars / Workshops / Trainings / Conferences Organized | : | |
| Is Dedicated Space Available for KSKVKU-Affiliated Research Centre? | : | (Yes / No) |
| Does the Institution Provide Library Facilities with Research Books and Journals for Scholars? | : | (Yes / No) |
| Does the Institution Provide Basic Facilities such as Furniture, Stationery, Computers, Software, Internet, Wi-Fi, Printers, and Xerox Machines for Research Scholars? | : | (Yes / No) |
| Does the Institution Have Laboratory and Instrumentation Facilities Relevant to Proposed Research Subjects? | : | (Yes / No) |
| Is CCTV Surveillance Available on Campus, Especially in the Proposed Research Centre? | : | (Yes / No) |
| Are Online Meeting Facilities Available? | : | (Yes / No) |
| Are Basic Amenities Available in the Proposed Research Centre (e.g., Lighting, Fans, Switchboards, Projector, Air Conditioning)? | : | (Yes / No) |

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| Are Drinking Water, Refreshment Facilities, and Clean Toilets Available on Campus? | : | (Yes / No) |
| Such other information as may be pertinent to or helpful in determining whether recognition should be granted or not | : | |

Write a detailed description, within 1000 words, explaining why the institute seeks recognition for Research Centers from the university in specific subjects:



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The (Name of the Applicant Institution) hereby undertakes to provide all necessary research facilities to its faculty members, researchers, scholars, and students in full compliance with the rules and regulations for recognition as a Research Centre.

Date:

Place:

Signature & Seal of the

Head of the Institution

Seal of Institution



KRANTIGURU SHYAMJI KRISHNA VERMA KACHCHH UNIVERSITY

TO BE FILLED BY THE ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATION COMMITTEE

1. Name of the Applicant Institution:

2. Are all the details and documents submitted by the applicant institution been physically verified by the Committee Members?: Yes/ No

3. Remarks by the Assessment and Recommendation Committee:

(Please include key observations and suggestions regarding infrastructure, faculty, research facilities, academic credentials, etc.)

4. Is the Committee recommending recognition of the institution as a Research Center?: Yes/ No

5. If Yes, specify the subject(s) in which the Research Center recognition is recommended:

- 1) _____ 4) _____
2) _____ 5) _____
3) _____ 6) _____

| Sr. No. | Name | Designation (Member/ Chairman) | Signature |
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