ORDINANCE: PRE-PH.D. COURSE (LAW) EXAMINATION

- 1. The duration of the Course of instruction for the Pre-Ph.D. Course shall be six months comprising of one semester. The examination shall ordinarily be held only after completion of six months for the Semester on the date fixed by the Vice-Chancellor. A special examination may be held for those candidates who get re-appear, or fail or want to improve their score on such date as may be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.
- 2. The last date of receipt of admission form along with requisite fee shall be as may be fixed by the Vice-Chancellor.
- 3. A person who has passed Master's Degree (LL.M.) from MDU or from a recognized University with atleast second division (55% for general category and 50% for SC category) shall have to pass entrance examination conducted by the Department and admission committee. The selected candidates shall only be eligible to seek admission to Pre-Ph.D. Course. The course work is compulsory for all students admitted in the Pre-Ph.D. Course.
- 4. Subject to Rules and Regulations framed by the University in this behalf, the examination in Pre-Ph.D. shall be open to a student whose name is submitted to the Registrar/Controller of Examinations by the concerned Head of the Department subject to fulfillment of following conditions:
 - a) of having remained on the rolls of whole of the duration of the course preceding the examination;
 - b) of having attended not less than 75% of lectures delivered (the course to be counted up to the last day when the classes break up for the preparatory holidays).
- 5. A candidate shall submit his admission/application on the prescribed proforma with the required certificates duly countersigned by the Head of the Department.
- 6. The amount of the admission fee for the Examination to be paid shall be governed by the M.D. University rules applicable from time to time. However, a candidate reappearing in paper(s) shall pay fee as for the whole examination.
- 7. (i) The medium of instructions for Pre-Ph.D. course shall be English only.
 - (ii) The medium of examinations shall be English only.
 - (iii) The question papers shall be set in English only.
 - (iv) The candidates shall write their answers in English.
 - (v) The candidates shall write report of project work (PR-03) in English only.
- 8. The examination for Pre-Ph.D. course shall consist of papers of 100 marks each and there shall be 100 marks for Project Work and qualifying marks are 50% of the total.
- 9. The question paper shall consist of four sections, selecting only two questions from each Unit. Each question shall carry 25 marks. The candidates may attempt only one question from each Unit. Regarding Project Report, each candidate shall write a project report in the area of the interest on a topic approved by the Departmental Committee. This project report shall be written

- in approximately 100 pages, strictly adhering to the guidelines and norms followed for writing research work/Ph.D. thesis.
- 10. A candidate who has failed in one or more paper(s) or having been eligible fails to reappear in Pre-Ph.D., for valid reasons, may be allowed on the recommendations of the Head of the Department concerned, to appear/reappear in the paper(s) within the period of 6 months of his admission to the course. Such a candidate shall be exempted from reappearing in the paper(s) in which he may have obtained atleast 50% marks.
- 11. The subject of project reports of a candidate shall be approved by the Departmental Committee. The applications regarding the same and the synopsis thereof shall reach the Head of the Department concerned by the dates notified. The Departmental Committee shall consider the topic/synopsis and approve the same with such modifications as it may deem fit. The Head of the Department shall also appoint Supervisor(s) for the project report.
- 12. The candidates will be required to submit the project report in the office of the Head of the Department by end of the course. The extension in the submission of the project report shall be as per approval of Departmental Committee.
- 13. The Examination shall be held according to the syllabus prescribed by the Academic Council. A candidate, who fails in an examination, or having been eligible, fails to appear in an examination will be allowed in the next course examination.
- 14. The minimum number of marks required to pass the Pre-Ph.D. Course examination shall be as under:
 - i) 50% marks in each written paper/project report.
 - ii) 50% marks in the aggregate
- 15. The list of the successful candidates shall be arranged as under:
 - a) A candidate who have secured 60% or above marks shall be considered to have passed in the First Division.
 - b) Candidates who have secured 50% or above but below 60% shall be considered to have passed in second division.
 - c) Candidates who have secured less than 50% marks in written papers etc. shall be considered to have failed in the examination.
- 16. The tuition fee for the student of Pre-Ph.D. Course shall be prescribed by the University from time to time.
- 17. A successful candidate may, if permitted by the Head of the Department publish wholly or in part his/her project report as a paper in journals of repute.
- 18. The Ordinance in force at the time a student joins the course shall hold good only for the examination held during or at the end of academic year and nothing in this ordinance shall be deemed to debar the University from amending the Ordinance and the amended Ordinance, if any, shall apply to all students whether old or new.

SCHEME OF EXAMINATION PRE-PH.D. COURSE

Sr. No.	Name of Paper	Code	Total Marks	Time
1.	Research Methodology	PR-01	100	2 Hours 30 minutes
2.	Current Problems and Issues in Law	PR-02	100	-do-
3.	Research Project Report	PR-03	100	

The pre-Ph.D. Course organized in the Semester shall consist of following three papers as under:

Duration: 2 Hours 30 Minutes Maximum Marks=100

Qualifying Marks= 50

NOTE: The Question Paper shall consist of four sections, selecting only two questions from each Unit. Each question shall carry 25 marks. candidates may attempt only one question from each Unit.

Paper-I: **Research Methodology**

In this paper following topics divided in Four Units shall be studied as

under: Unit-I

Meaning, Scope, objectives and significance of Legal Research, meaning and selection of Research Problem, Meaning & Feature of Research Design, Hypothesis.

Unit-II

Types of Research, Doctrinal, Non-doctrinal, Merits & Demerits of Doctrinal and Non-Doctrinal, Methods and Techniques of Data Collection. Qualitative methods observation, interview & case study method, quantitative methods, questionnaire of schedule.

Unit-III

Sampling Methods, Need, Meaning & Type of Sample, Sources of Data, Primary and Secondary, Classification and Tabulation of Data Processing, Analysis and Interpretation of Data

Unit-IV

Chi Square Test for comparing variance chi Square as a Non-parametric Test conditions for the application of X Test, Steps involved in Applying Chi-Square Test, Alternative Formula, Yates Correction: Conversion of X into Phi-Co-efficient; conversion of X into co-efficient by contingency, important characteristics of X test, caution in during X test, significance of statistics in Socio-legal Research, Use of Computer in the Research field work and report writing.

Paper-II: Current Problems and Issues in Law

In this paper following topics divided in Four Units shall be studied as

under:

Unit-I

- a) Law relating to Maintenance under Hindu and Muslim Laws
- b) Essential Conditions of Marriage
- c) Law Relating to Geographical Indications
- d) Law Relating to Copy Rights
- e) Compensatory Jurisprudence and the Indian Constitution

Unit-II

- a) 9th Schedule Controversy
- b) Law relating to Maintenance and Management of Land Records
- c) Panchayati Raj System
- d) Access to Justice
- e) Recent Trends in the Civil Procedure

Unit-III

- a) Law relating to Scientific Investigation in Criminal matters.
- b) Constitutionality of Death Penalty as Punishment.
- c) Roadmap to Coppen Haggen
- d) Emerging Trends in Environmental Jurisprudence
- e) Reforms in Legal Education

Unit-IV

- a) Laws relating to Women Empowerment
- b) Law relating to Right to Information
- c) Law relating to Disadvantage Sections
- d) State Jurisdiction in International Disputes
- e) Emerging Trends in Cyber Crimes

NOTE: The Question Paper shall consist of four Sections. Each section will have only two questions from each Unit. Each question shall carry 25 marks. The candidates may attempt only one question from each Section.

Paper-III: Research Project Report

Duration : One Semester Maximum Marks=100

Qualifying Marks= 50

Size approximately 100 pages

Each candidate shall write a Research Project Report in the area of his/her interest on a topic approved by the Departmental Committee. This project report shall be written in approximately 100 pages, strictly adhering to the guidelines and norms followed for writing research work/Ph.D. thesis.