Guidelines for Foreign Nationals/NRI Students seeking admission to Post Graduate/Undergraduate Courses

(i) Non-Resident Indian (NRI)

Only the following categories of students or candidates will be eligible or entitled for consideration for admission in the NRI Quota:

- i) Persons of Indian Origin who are citizens of countries other than India and hold the passport of the country concerned.
- ii) Overseas Citizens of India.
- iii) Children i.e. sons/daughters of Persons of Indian Origin (who may, or may not, be citizen of countries other than India), or of Overseas Citizens of India, provided they have resided in a country other than India for a minimum period of three years immediately preceding the year of admission in the University.

iv) The eligibility or entitlement under clauses (ii) and (iii) above would extend also to grandchildren, whose parents are not alive or, at least, whose father is not alive at the time of seeking admission in the University, and who can, therefore, be treated as being "wards" of their grandparents who are Persons of Indian Origin (who may, or may not, be citizens of countries other than India), or Overseas Citizens of India, provided such grandchildren have resided in a country other than India for a minimum period of three years immediately

Preceding the year of admission in the University.

Explanation:

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- a) The aforesaid condition of residence for a minimum of three years in a country other than India prescribed in Clauses (iii) and (iv) above means actual/physical residence on a regular basis. Notional, deemed or constructive residence of any kind shall not be considered for this purpose. Accordingly, the possession of a Green Card will ipso facto not confer eligibility or entitlement for admission.
- b) The expression "Overseas Citizens of India" in Clauses (ii) to (iv) above refers to persons registered as such under Section 7-A of the Citizenship Act, 1955 as amended up-to-date.

It is made clear that no person other than persons falling under Clauses (i) to (iv) read with Explanation (a) and (b) above will be eligible for or entitled to admission in the NRI quota.

Foreign Nationals:

Admission of the Foreign Nationals will be considered only if the case has been sent to Panjab University by Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) or any Ministry of Govt. of India subject to the condition that the Foreign National is eligible to seek admission as per the regulation of the course. The seats for the eligible Foreign nationals will be additional to the already notified seats, subject to the maximum of 5% of the total sanctioned seats of the course.

General Rules for NRI:

- 1. That 10% seats over and above the total number of regular seats in each course are reserved for the NRI candidates.
- 2. That NRI candidates seeking admission to any course will be required to produce the Test Scores of Scholastic Aptitude Test-II (SAT-II) with permissible combination of subjects, conducted by the Educational Testing Service, Princeton, U.S.A., for admission to under graduate courses. Graduate Record Examination (General) (GRE) from Princeton, U.S.A. or GMAT for admission to Post Graduate Courses. In case of foreign nationals (non English speaking countries), TOEFL/IELTS scores should also be produced.
- That admission to all Engineering courses against NRI quota in the University Institute
 of Engineering & Technology (UIET), University Institute of Chemical Engineering &
 Technology (UICET) and P.U. Regional Centre, Hoshiarpur shall be admissible
 through Direct Admissions Students Abroad (DASA) w.e.f. academic session 20182019.
- 4. That NRI candidates shall compete amongst themselves for admission to various courses. Their inter-se merit shall be determined on bases of the score obtained in SAT-II, GRE, GMAT etc.
- 5. A candidate once admitted as NRI candidate in an undergraduate course shall be covered under the definition of NRI for subsequent admission to any Course at Panjab University.
- 6. That candidates who take admission under the NRI quota and are promoted from Undergraduate to Postgraduate course in the Hons. School framework (ongoing program) shall not be allowed to change their category.
- That a candidate admitted under NRI quota may change his/her admission to vacant seat provided the candidate falls within the merit of admitted candidates in General or Reserve Category.
- 8. That NRI candidate shall have to comply with any other requirements prescribed by the Govt. of India and Panjab University from time to time.
- 9. That for admission to B.P.Ed and M.P.Ed (Physical Education), a candidate will be required to undergo mandatory Physical Efficiency Test. The scores of Physical Efficiency Test will be counted for determining merit.
- 10. That NRI candidates shall provide the following certificates/ documents:
 - a. Academic certificates of passing the qualifying or equivalent examination approved by the Association of Indian Universities (AIU)/Commonwealth Universities/International Association of Universities (IAU) as equivalent to the corresponding Indian Degrees/Certificates.
 - b. Test Score of Scholastic Aptitude Test II (SAT-II)/ GRE/GMAT/TOEFL/IELTS ETC.
- 11. That seats created for NRI quota shall not be allowed to be converted into General Category.

With regard to admission in Ph.D. Program for foreign students, the following new guidelines could be followed:

- 1. International students who are being sponsored by the government body such as the ICCR or MHRD or a government agency of their own country, will be given direct admission to Ph.D. subject to the approval of the concerned department or centre.
- 2. International students who have been studying in India and are present in India at the time of the Ph.D. CET will have to sit for the test and clear it in order to be considered for enrolment.
- 3. The International students who are not present in India at the time of the Panjab University Ph.D. CET will need to achieve at least band 5 in IELTS Academic or 60 in TOEFL or 150-154 in GRE or 600 in GMAT. At the time of filling the enrolment form the candidate must attach of the score in any one of the above tests