Higher Education (K2) Department Secretariat, Chennai – 600 009.

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From Dr.R.Kannan, Ph.D., I.A.S., Principal Secretary to Government

To
The Registrars of all Universities
 (under the aegis of Higher Education Department)
The Director of Collegiate Education
The Director of Technical Education

Sir,

Sub: Promoting excellence in Higher Education – Raising the Quality of research to international standards – Thesis evaluation procedure – Regarding.

Ref: Government Letter No.11226/K2/2011-1, Higher Education Department dated 4.7.2011.

It is the policy of the Government to promote excellence in Higher Education. One of the important aspects is the quality of research thesis work at Ph.D., M.Phil and equivalent levels. These are to be transparently evaluated with external examiners (Indian and foreign) whose credentials inspire confidence and respect in academia.

The Universities are, therefore instructed to improve the process of evaluation of Ph.D. Thesis of research scholars by appointing examiners with impeccable academic credentials. They are advised to follow the pattern adopted in IITs, IIMs and renowned universities in the country like The Jawaharlal Nehru University, Delhi University, etc.

Yours faithfully,

for Principal Secretary to Government