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Subject: Minimum Experience of a PhD Faculty Member to Supervise a PhD Thesis

Dear Sir/ Madam,

- 1. The National Quality Assurance Committee (NQAC) in its 22<sup>nd</sup> meeting held on January 09, 2017 approved that Universities should appoint a PhD faculty member as supervisor of PhD/MS/MPhil/Equivalent research work only after he/she has acquired a minimum three (03) years of relevant teaching/research/professional experience in an HEC recognized university or research/ professional organization after getting PhD degree. However, while gaining the three (03) years' experience, the faculty member should co-supervise at least two (02) MS/MPhil/Equivalent level thesis along with a Senior/HEC approved PhD supervisor. The criteria to evaluate the research/professional experience in this regard are to be developed by the universities themselves and get them approved from their statutory bodies.
- 2. This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

With kind regards,

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