

## Schedule I

### **Eligibility Criteria for Admission to Ph.D. Programme:**

1. Candidates for admission to the Ph.D. Programme shall have a relevant Master's degree or a professional degree declared equivalent to the Master's degree by the corresponding statutory regulatory body or as the norms specified by any competent authority of Central/ State Government or by any Council specified for any particular Faculty/ Subject, with at least 55% marks in aggregate or its equivalent grade 'B' in the UGC 7-point scale (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) or an equivalent degree from a foreign educational Institution accredited by an Assessment and Accreditation Agency which is approved, recognized or authorized by an authority, established or incorporated under a law in its home country or any other statutory authority in that country for the purpose of assessing, accrediting or assuring quality and standards of educational institutions.

2. A relaxation of 5% of marks, from 55% to 50%, or an equivalent relaxation of grade, may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/Differently-Abled and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the UGC Commission from time to time, or for those who had obtained their Master's degree prior to 19th September, 1991. The eligibility marks of 55% (or an equivalent grade in a point scale wherever grading system is followed) and the relaxation of 5% to the categories mentioned above are permissible based only on the qualifying marks without including the grace mark procedures.

**Amended as per registrar order vide no. PAHER/R/UGC/2022-23 dated 04-01-2023 & Gazette notification of UGC regulation for award of Ph.D. published on November 7, 2022.**

A relaxation of 5% marks or its equivalent grade may be allowed for those belonging to SC/ST/OBC (non-creamy layer)/ Differently-Abled, Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and other categories of candidates as per the decision of the Commission from time to time.

3. Those candidates who have obtained their Master of Dental Science (MDS) on or prior to year 2000 shall be eligible (allowed) to take admission in Ph.D. Programme on production of such relevant Master degree certificate (MDS) and candidates who have obtained their MDS after year 2000 shall be eligible as per conditions specified in the Para no. 1 and 2 of Schedule I.