

INCENTIVE SCHEME FOR MASTERS BY RESEARCH/ DOCTORAL PROGRAMME BY RESEARCH COMPLETION

Objective

The objective of the scheme is to encourage public Tertiary Education Institutions to increase their research output in respect of Masters by Research and Doctoral Programme by Research awards.

Financial Provision

The grant is limited to the tune of:

- MUR 50,000 per Doctoral Programme by Research Award, if completed within 3 years full-time equivalent and 4 years for those enrolled on MPhil/PhD programmes.
- MRU 30,000, if completed in more than 3 years.
- MRU 20,000 per Masters by Research (MRes)/Doctoral Programme by Research Award.

Conditions/ Criteria

The above is subject to the following conditions:

- Payment to the public TEIs upon submission of evidence of award of Doctoral Programme by Research/MRes to a student of the institution. The awardee may be either full time or part time.
- The award should have been made during the previous financial year.
- The award must be made by the public TEI or in collaboration with a public TEI in Mauritius.
- The supervisor or the co-supervisor for the Doctoral Programme by Research/MPhil/MRes must be a full-time faculty on permanent pensionable establishment at the institution concerned.

Implementation Modalities

- Call for Submission of evidence of awards of PhD/Doctor by Research/MPhil/MRes from public TEIs will be made at the start of each financial year by the Commission.
- Submission of a full list of awards of PhD/Doctor by Research/MRes for the last financial year (July 01 to June 30) by public TEIs together with supporting evidence, to the Executive Director, TEC.

Funding Mechanism

- The Commission makes a preliminary screening of all submissions.
- Once the approval of the TEC Board is obtained, the grant will be released to the institution.
- Each institution receiving the funds will be able to retain a maximum of 30% for administrative purposes. These amounts to be utilised to further boost the research agenda of each institution.
- The remaining 70% will be allocated to the full-time supervisor(s). The institution will set up for each supervisor a research fund in

their names which can be utilised for any research related activity (e.g. conferences, buying equipment, hiring of research assistants, etc.). **No funds can be used as direct payment to the supervisors.**

- Where there is more than one local supervisor, the award shall be shared pro-rata. Where there is no full-time local supervisor, the totality of the grant shall go the institution concerned.