

## Guidelines for Panel of PhD Thesis Examiners

1. The research supervisor of the candidate shall submit a panel of 8 examiners in the relevant field to the coordinator of the respective lab which will be sent to the Dean of the relevant faculty of study. Consent should be accepted as many proposed examiner as possible but not necessarily all.
2. The panel of examiners shall be regular/retired faculty from reputed National Labs like CSIR, DST, ICMR, ICAR, DAE/BARC, DRDO, ISRO and Academic Institutes and Universities of repute like IITs, IISER, NIPER etc./State and Central Universities of repute and also experts from industry (including PSUs).
3. The Dean of the relevant faculty of Science may ask to revise the panel of proposed examiners if found not suitable to be considered as examiner.
4. Collaborators of research supervisor with whom the concerned student has worked or co-authored any publication, should not be included as a proposed thesis examiner.
5. The proposed examiners can be selected from the following choices with imposed limits:
  - (i) Only one examiner is allowed from any institute/university
  - (ii) Maximum four examiners can be proposed from a single state
  - (iii) For thesis submitted from CSIR Labs a maximum two examiners can be proposed from two different sister CSIR Labs with limit of only one examiner belonging to the same city
  - (iv) An examiner cannot be proposed who is a regular or retired faculty of the same institute from where the thesis is being submitted
  - (v) The Dean has the right to include an examiner that has not been proposed by the Supervisor

Any exception to the proposed choices should be made with proper justification from the Supervisor of the student which may or may not be accepted by the Dean of the concerned faculty of Science.
6. In case of recommending the name of an examiner from an industry, the examiner should be an active researcher with publications/patents in the broad theme area of thesis. The supervisor may be in a position to provide a short resume of the examiner. The selected examiner(s) may not necessarily be from the proposed name of examiners by the Supervisor of the PhD student and the Dean has the right to add more name in the examiner panel in the relevant field.
7. The proposed list of examiners is recommended to be submitted in two formats: (a) as a Word document, (b) as a signed PDF file

The proposed panel of examiners must be prepared adhering to the guidelines provided here and it would be accepted only after complete compliance has been ensured by the authorities.