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OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Subject: Special one-time waiver to students failing to re-join the Laboratory after availing approved Academic Break, during the period of restrictions related to Covid-19 pandemic (March 25, 2020 to July 30, 2021)

AcSIR has taken a very special compassionate view for concession in cases of students who were on approved Academic Break but failed or are not likely to re-join the Laboratories on completion of the period of Academic Break, owing to restrictions related to Covid-19 pandemic during the period of March 25, 2020 to July 30, 2021.

Accordingly, Director, AcSIR has granted a special one-time waiver on applicability of rejoining date deadline to all those students who were on approved Academic Break and were/are required to re-join the Laboratory between March 25, 2020 to July 30, 2021 (both dates inclusive), but failed or likely to fail to comply the deadline of re-joining due to constrains related to Covid-19 pandemic.

With the above waiver granted, such students, depending on individual's situation, may re-join their academic activity at their respective Institutes <u>latest by August 02, 2021</u> (strictly following the administrative procedures of the Laboratory for re-joining) by reporting to the office of the AcSIR Coordinator at the Institute. <u>Those students who have been granted Academic Break for reasons of employment, must furnish a No Objection Certificate from their employers before re-joining.</u>

The period from the date of completion of approved Academic Break to the date of actual rejoining under this grant of special waiver would be considered as 'exonerated absence' from the Institute and would count towards determination of the maximum residency period of their PhD programs.

Students availing the benefit of this special waiver would be expected to complete their academic program without any further gap till completion of the program. For such students, the completion of objectives of their doctoral research program, would require concurrence of the Academic Committee of their respective Laboratory before appearance for Pre-Thesis Open Colloquium (PTOC).

The students should avail this special concession with full sense of introspection and probity that failure of their re-joining by the date given in the approval of Academic Break was/would be really due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

It may be noted that this is a one-time grant of special waiver due to Covid 19 related constraints only. The ongoing Covid-19 pandemic being encountered by humanity, as an adversity of once in a century, is the *raison d'etre* for the grant of this special waiver and, therefore, it would not constitute as a precedence.

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The AcSIR Coordinators should bring this grant of special waiver to the notice of all the students of the Institute for whom this O.M. could be applicable. The AcSIR Coordinator's Office at the Institute must communicate details (at academics@acsir.res.in) of the students who have been permitted to re-join, latest by August 03, 2021, on a case by case basis or in a consolidated manner.

The order is being issued with the approval of the Director, AcSIR.

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