**Letter of Undertaking**

**Integrated MD / MS-PhD**

**Annexure 57**

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| **Registration No** |  |
| **Phd scholar Name** |  |
| **Name of the Institution** |  |
| **Date of Joining** |  |

**Duration of the Program**

* The minimum duration is 5 years from the date of joining to Integrated MD/MS PhD course.
  + You are required to renew your registration for subsequent semester every 6 months after admission to the program.
  + Admission gets cancelled if the PhD scholar leaves the institution before the completion of minimum duration of the PhD program
* The PhD scholar is required to submit PhD protocol to the institution for Institutional Protocol Approval Committee (IPAC) presentation and approval within 14 - 16 months of admission to integrated MD / MS PhD program.
* Extension beyond the minimum period will be based on the recommendation of the Doctoral Advisory Committee (DAC) and this requires approval from CDS, MAHE Manipal.
* The provisional admission to Integrated MD/MS PhD program stands cancelled if the PhD scholar is not able to complete MD/MS course within 4 years of admission to MD/MS course.
* The maximum duration of PhD program is 7 years from the date of joining.
  + The admission stands cancelled on completion of maximum duration

**Course Discontinuation**

* In case of exit on completion of MD / MS program, the provisional admission order issued for the Integrated MD / MS - PhD program must be returned to Centre for Doctoral Studies (CDS) and withdrawal process to be completed before leaving the institution.

**Attendance Requirements:** PhD scholar is required to record the attendance in the institution / department on every working day as per the institutional / department attendance policy.

**Cancellation of Registration:**

Registration will be cancelled in following situations:

• There is NO progress in work as evidenced by non-submission of progress reports / recommendation of the DAC.

• If PhD scholar is absent at work for > 1 month without prior approval

• Recommendation from DAC and PhD Core-Committee of MAHE for any other reasons

• If the PhD scholar leaves the institution without prior approval from Guide / Department / HOI / CDS etc

• On completion of maximum duration of the course

• If the PhD scholar brings disrepute to the Department / Institution / University in any form.

If the PhD scholar wants to discontinue the course, the request to be forwarded to CDS through guide and HOI with remarks along with Ph.D. dues clearance.

* + Following the approval from CDS, the institution should initiate the withdrawal process and same to be communicated to CDS once the process is completed.
  + If PhD scholar wishes to discontinue from the Ph.D. program / registration is cancelled by MAHE, he / she has to return the full scholarship amount provided so far.

**Other Requirements**

* It is imperative that candidates comply with the Ph.D. guidelines provided at [www.manipal.edu/phd](http://www.manipal.edu/phd)

**Undertaking**

I confirm that I have read and understood the above regulations and agree to abide by the same.

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CANDIDATE NAME SIGNATURE WITH DATE