



## **ABOUT RESEARCH CONVENTION**

### ***Preamble***

With a view to inculcate research culture in our higher education system, the Research Division of the Association of Indian Universities has taken a pioneering initiative to organize Student Research Conventions for the aspiring researchers throughout the country. This Convention is aimed at identifying the young and rising talents to create efficient human resource of the nation through proper encouragement and incentives. Further, the program attempts to commercialize their innovative research ideas with industrial collaboration. Their research endeavor will accelerate scientific research and innovations leading to their application towards human welfare, percolating to the grass root level. For this purpose, conventions are organized at (I). University level, (II). Zonal level and (III). National level. Best 15 projects will be finally awarded at national level. In this context, Anusandhan: The Student Research Convention of North Orissa University is conceptualized for providing an innovative platform for young and emerging breed of researchers of NOU in line with National level convention by Association of Indian Universities. Projects are invited for presentation at the convention from M.Sc/M.Phil./PhD/Research scholars that will be evaluated at University level for their subsequent participation at Zonal level (2<sup>nd</sup> phase) to be held at Ravenshaw University during **23-24 Nov. 2017**. A third phase selection will be performed at national level, where selected projects will be awarded.

### **Objectives**

- To identify young talents and ignited minds with research aptitude to take up research as career option.
- To promote research at North Orissa University.
- To provide opportunity to nurture the ignited minds with specialized training and education at nationally and internationally reputed premier institutions in the country.

- To facilitate students to access the financial and physical resources of the country
- To provide proper incentives to enhance the skill of potential students.
- To initiate an intensive research culture among motivated group of students, specially at university level.

### ***About Anusandhan***

Anusandhan is a student research convention of North Orissa University which is an attempt to inculcate and strengthen research culture at University level.

### ***Categories/Areas/Fields***

The areas/fields in which Projects (both at Individual and team (collaborative) level are invited:

**Agriculture, Basic Sciences, Health Sciences and Allied Subjects, (Pharmacy, Nutrition etc.), Social Sciences, Humanities, Commerce and Law (Objective and Result Oriented Projects)**

In case of a **collaborative project**, only three members [one principal investigator and two major contributors] of a group are allowed to participate in the University zonal/ national convention.

### ***Nature of the project***

The project must be original and must have undergone some exploration/preliminary ground work in order to show its feasibility and impact.

### ***Method of assessment***

The projects will be assessed on the basis of presentation in **three rounds**. In the first round, the participants are required to display their projects in the form of poster (Size 1m x 1m) before a panel of judges. If selected in the first round, the project will be allowed for podium and oral presentation before a panel of judges. The second round and third round of selection includes a 7 minutes of oral presentation (second round) and 3 minutes of viva- voice session (third round).

The total time allowed for oral/podium presentation will be no more than is 10 minutes.

### ***Criteria and weightage***

The final selection of the projects will be based on the cumulative weightage given in all the criteria.

### ***Eligibility of Participation***

Entries of the research projects will be purely **INSTITUTIONAL** and only **BONAFIDE fulltime** M.Sc/M.Phil Students and Research Scholars (PhD and Project) from NOU are eligible to take part in the convention.

### ***Procedure to Apply***

Registration proforma for University level convention is enclosed with this booklet. The general guidelines can also be downloaded from NOU website: [www.nou.nic.in](http://www.nou.nic.in). Registration forms duly filled in by the contestants forwarded by the component authority of the University are to be submitted in hard copies along with a soft copy through e-mail to the **Co-Coordinator** of the Convention in the following address by **10.11.17**

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