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Sub:- Constitution and conduct of Research Advisory Committees - strict compliance of provisions in the Regulations - directions issued - reg.

Ref :- 1. Calicut University Research Regulations 2016.
2. Calicut University Research Regulations 2023.

It has come to notice that in some Research Centres, the Research Advisory Committees (RAC) are constituted and its meetings conducted, violating the provisions in the Calicut University Research Regulations. It has also come to notice that Research Scholars in some Research Centres are being forced to present their research topics in front of people who are not members of their Research Advisory Committees. Hence, the following directions are issued for strict compliance by Heads of all Research Centres, Research Nodal Officers and Research Supervisors:

1. The RAC meetings shall be conducted regularly for all Research Scholars as per the Research Regulations applicable to them.
2. The RAC meetings shall be attended only by the members of the respective RAC and the Research Scholar.
3. If an RAC formed under Research Regulations 2016 needs to be reconstituted due to any reasons such as non-availability of members, the reconstitution shall be done as per the Research Regulations 2023 (i.e. separate RAC for each scholar). The action taken in this regard shall be reported to the University after reconstitution of RAC.
4. The research presentations conducted by Research Centres for educational/ training purposes of the Research Scholars shall not be deemed as RAC meetings. The Research Scholars or Research Supervisors may voluntarily present their research progress in such gatherings if they wish for a discussion with a larger group. Research Scholars/Research Supervisors shall not be forced to divulge information on their research progress/ data against their wish in such presentations.

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To:-

Heads of all Research Centres/ All Research Nodal Officers/ All Research Supervisors