

## **Guidelines for preparation of Synopsis for the Ph.D. thesis**

1. The length of a synopsis for the Ph.D. Thesis should normally be 1000 to 4000 words including tables and figures. The Synopsis should be on A4 size paper. Four copies of the synopsis are required to be submitted.
2. There exists, at present, a wide variation in the subject matter and style of presentation of the synopsis. The primary objective of the synopsis is to enable the reader to judge whether a prima facie case exists for accepting the proposed Ph.D. thesis for the award of the Ph.D. degree. The synopsis should therefore, list, clearly, the contributions resulting from the investigations carried out by the candidate, which have led to advancement of knowledge in the field of investigation.
3. In order to fully appreciate the candidate's contribution, it is necessary to put it in a proper context. It is, therefore, recommended that the synopsis should contain a brief account of the existing knowledge and the inadequacy or gap in this knowledge that led the candidate to the formulation of the problem of his / her investigation. A few references, needed in this respect should be included but their number should normally, not exceed ten.
4. The format for the title page of the synopsis is in **Annexure No. 1**.

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