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THESIS REVIEWER'S REPORT

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| Program | | | |
| Thesis Title | | | |
| Reviewer's Name | | | |
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| Reviewer's Email Address | | Contact No. | |

GUIDELINES FOR THESIS REVIEWER'S REPORT FORM

The Thesis Examiner's Report Form consists of Four (4) sections:

- I. SECTION A: GUIDED REPORT
- II. SECTION B: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MAJOR REVISION
- III. SECTION C: RECOMMENDATIONS FOR MINOR REVISION / OTHER COMMENTS
- IV. SECTION D: EVALUATION RUBRICS

All Examiners are requested to submit their reports using the Thesis Reviewer's Report Form

RUBRICS FOR THE REVIEWER

| SCALE | RUBRICS |
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| SCALE 1: PASS | <p>The candidate is awarded a Doctor of Philosophy/Master's Degree.</p> <p>These recommendations are made if the thesis:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">i. Does not require corrections or Has amendments/corrections in the thesis as stated in the Panel of Examiners Report;ii. Requires some editing of text, formatting of tables and, diagrams, correction of grammar, spelling, and other typographical conventions, etc.iii. The confirmation of corrections for the thesis has to be made by the Supervisor. |
| SCALE 2: PASS WITH MINOR CORRECTIONS | <p>The candidate is awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy/Master's, subject to amendments/corrections to the thesis as specified in the Panel of Examiners Report.</p> <p>These recommendations are made if the thesis:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">i. Requires minor editing of text editing, formatting of tables and diagrams, correction of grammar, spelling, and typographical conventions, etc.;ii. Requires only a modicum of additional information;iii. Requires only an explanation regarding a number of small parts in the text; |



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| | <p>iv. DOES NOT REQUIRE supplementary experimental work, the collection of new data or major re-writing; and</p> <p>v. Does not contain many changes in the summing up/conclusion that has been rewritten.</p> <p>The confirmation of the veracity of the corrections has to be made by the internal examiner and the supervisor.</p> <p>The maximum duration allowed for making corrections is six (6) months. However, the Thesis Examination Board can determine the maximum period commensurate with the number of corrections required for Theis of not more than one (1) year.</p> |
| <p>SCALE 3: PASS WITH MAJOR CORRECTIONS</p> | <p>The candidate is awarded the degree of Doctor of Philosophy/Master's subject to amendments/corrections to the thesis as specified in the Panel of Examiners Report.</p> <p>These recommendations are made if the thesis:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Requires major editing of text, formatting of tables and diagrams, correction of grammar, spelling, and typographical conventions, etc.; ii. Requires additional information; iii. Requires supplementary statistical analysis, rewriting of major parts of the thesis and the expansion of the literature review. <p>The confirmation of the veracity of the corrections has to be made by the Panel of Examiners (External Examiner or Examiner or both) and the Supervisor.</p> <p>The maximum duration allowed for making corrections is nine (9) months. However, the Thesis Examination Board can determine the maximum period commensurate with the number of corrections required for the thesis of not more than one (1) year.</p> |
| <p>SCALE 4: FAIL</p> | <p>The candidate is not eligible to be awarded a Doctor of Philosophy/Master's Degree and is not recommended to resubmit the thesis for examination.</p> <p>These recommendations are made if the thesis:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Has obvious major weaknesses that additional work or corrections cannot address and hence the quality of the thesis cannot be increased to the level of set standards/requirements; or ii. Has weaknesses that could not be remedied; or <p><u>The research carried out was inadequate/insufficient.</u></p> |



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SECTION A

OVERALL STYLE AND ORGANISATION:

Please indicate your response by **circling** the most appropriate number. Please state not relevant, where appropriate.

1. In terms of contents, the thesis title is

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2. In terms of conciseness, the abstract is

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3. In terms of clarity of presentation, the thesis is

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4. In terms of organization (chapters, bibliography, Appendices, etc.), the thesis is

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5. The language and grammar are

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6. The spellings are

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ROBUSTNESS OF THESIS

7. The terminology used is

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8. The literature review is

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9. Research objectives are

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10. The methodology is

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11. The data collected for the analysis and testing are

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12. The quantitative (statistical)/qualitative analysis is Comments

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13. Data/information interpretation and conclusion are

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14. The discussion corresponds to the results of the study

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15. The discussion is

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16. References are

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17. The novelty level of the research is

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SECTION B

MAJOR REVISIONS REQUIRED (IF ANY)



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SECTION C

OTHER COMMENTS / MINOR REVISION REQUIRED (IF ANY)



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Please indicate your summary recommendation by placing a tick (✓) against the appropriate paragraph:

| (✓) | Result Scale | Recommendations upon Examination of Thesis |
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| | SCALE 1 | Pass The candidate is awarded a Doctor of Philosophy/Master's Degree |
| | SCALE 2 | Pass with Minor Corrections The candidate is awarded a Doctor of Philosophy/Master's Degree subject to changes/ corrections to the thesis as listed in the Panel of Examiners Report. |
| | SCALE 3 | Pass with Major Changes/Corrections The candidate is awarded a Doctor of Philosophy/Master's Degree subject to changes/ corrections to the thesis as listed in the Panel of Examiners Report. The thesis MUST be revised and verified by the Panel of Examiners after the candidate has made the changes/corrections |
| | SCALE 4 | Fail The candidate is not eligible to be awarded a Doctor of Philosophy/Master's Degree and is not allowed to re- submit the thesis for examination. |

Reviewer's Signature

Date