

Panel Report for MS Thesis/PhD Dissertation Final Defense

Candidate's Name	
Thesis Title	
Examiner's Name	
Examiner's Institution	

1. Review of the comments/suggestions during the proposal defense

Were the comments/suggestions during the proposal defense addressed? The candidate should attach a summary of the comments/suggestions during the proposal defense and should indicate how these were addressed and in what section of the manuscript it is found.

2. Methodology

Are the tools employed suitable and adequate to solve the research problem/objectives: the survey questions; experiment setup and procedure; models and basic principles; and/or the exposition and development of theory? Kindly specify the points that may require further elaboration and clarification during the oral defense and subsequent thesis corrections

3. Data Collection/Generation

Are the data collected relevant to solve the research problems/objectives? Is the data collection process reliable and valid? Please highlight the deficiency, if any, in the process of data collection/generation, and comment on the amount of data collected/generated. If usage of databases is involved, please comment on their suitability for the candidate's work. Kindly specify the points that may require further elaboration and clarification during the viva defense and subsequent thesis corrections.

4. Analysis and Discussion

Please comment on:

- The steps undertaken in data analysis and whether the uncertainties and errors in the data are considered in detail;
- Whether the discussion, if any, reflects critical analysis implication of data, or is essentially descriptive;
- Whether both analysis and discussion constitute a coherent picture to firmly support the conclusion.

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5. Contribution of Findings and Publication

Please comment on the extent to which the objectives started in the thesis are fulfilled. Please state the candidate's original contribution, and comment on the significance of this contribution as new knowledge (theory, methodology, application, etc.) to the field of research, and the possibility of publication. Kindly specify the points that may require further elaboration and clarification during the oral defense and subsequent thesis corrections.

6. References/Bibliography

Please evaluate the relevance, timeliness and completeness of the list of references. Kindly specify the points that may require further elaboration and clarification during the viva defense and subsequent thesis corrections.

7. Rigour of Thesis as PhD study

Please comment on the substantiality and complexity of the candidate's work with respect to the requirements of a PhD. In your judgment, does the thesis demonstrate sufficient effort, original contribution in knowledge and comprehension of the research topic? Please specify the points that may require further elaboration and clarification during the defense and subsequent thesis corrections.

8. General Comment on Thesis

Please provide any other comment you feel are important to the evaluation of this thesis, especially on the suitability of the thesis title to the content of the thesis, whether the abstract captures the essence of the thesis and whether the organization of the thesis is appropriate.

9. Errata

Please highlight the errors that have to be corrected, preferably in the format shown below:

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10. Communication to the Candidate

Please indicate which part of the Examiner's Report could be communicated to the candidate

Signature of Examiner

Date: _____