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Subject: **Implementation of Online System for PhD Country Directory (PCD)**

Respected Sir/Madam,

In continuation of this office letter of even number, dated February 15, 2023, it is apprised that the Higher Education Data Repository (HEDR) Division of HEC is responsible for enlisting the names of PhD graduates in the PhD Country Directory (PCD). The entry of PhD scholars' records in the PhD Country Directory (PCD) is the prerequisite for PhD Degree attestation.

Since the PhD Country Directory (PCD) has been digitized from April 11, 2023, and according to it, the concerned Higher Education Institutions (HEIs) of the country were required to process the information of their PhD graduates through online system. For this purpose, the HEDR division has imparted online trainings to 400 (Four Hundred) focal persons of 193 HEIs in the country during March 2023 in Six consecutive sessions. However, it has been observed that universities/HEIs are still processing the PCD cases manually. It is noteworthy to convey that from now onward, PCD applications in hard form will not be entertained and cases which were returned to universities (due to any reason) should also be processed through online system.

Keeping in view of the above, it is therefore requested to kindly advise your PhD scholars to apply/process their cases online at <https://eservices.hec.gov.pk> as afterwards, no manual case will be entertained by the HEC.


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Encl: (As Above)

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