



Induction Programme – Ph.D. Batch IV

Event Report

1. Title Page

- **Event Title:** Induction Programme for Ph.D. Batch IV
- **Date:** January 23, 2025
- **Location:** JSPM University, Pune
- **Prepared By:** Dr. Kamalkishor Uke and Team
- **Date of Report:** January 25, 2025
- **Total Registrations Done:** 46
- **Actual Number of Participants Attended/Participated:** 46

2. Executive Summary

Overview:

The Induction Programme for Ph.D. Batch IV was successfully held on January 23, 2025, at JSPM University, Pune. The event aimed to familiarize newly admitted Ph.D. scholars with the organizational culture, structure, and academic framework of the university. It also served as a formal beginning of their doctoral journey, with insightful sessions conducted by esteemed dignitaries and mentors.

Objectives:

1. To introduce scholars to the vision, mission, and values of JSPM University.
2. To outline the structure of the Ph.D. programme, research expectations, and support mechanisms.
3. To create a sense of belonging and inspire a committed research mindset.

Key Highlights:

- Chief Guest Address by Hon. Dr. B.B. Ahuja, Vice Chancellor, JSPM University.
- Inspirational speech by Dr. Ajeet Thete, Member of Governing Body.



- Interactive orientation sessions led by research coordinators.
- Full participation by all registered scholars and faculty.

3. Event Details

Event Description:

The one-day Induction Programme began with a warm welcome and ceremonial lamp lighting, followed by introductory speeches. The Chief Guest, Hon. Dr. B.B. Ahuja, emphasized the importance of research ethics and innovation in the academic journey. Dr. Ajeet Thete inspired scholars with his insights on institutional growth and opportunities for impactful research. The program included sessions on university policies, research expectations, and guidance on navigating the doctoral journey.

Participants:

- Total Participants: 46 Ph.D. scholars , 56 Ph.D. Supervisors and university research faculty

Agenda:

- 10:00 AM – Inauguration and Welcome
- 10:30 AM – Chief Guest Address by Dr. B.B. Ahuja
- 11:00 AM – Speech by Dr. Ajeet Thete
- 11:30 AM – Introduction to Research Cell: Dr. Kamalkishor Uke
- 12:00 PM – Overview of Research Support and Guidelines:

Dr. Anjali Upadhye

- 12:30 PM – IT and Administrative Support: Mr. Umesh Kulkarni
- 1:00 PM – Interaction and Q&A
- 1:30 PM – Vote of Thanks and Closing

Geotagged Photos of the Event: Ph D Batch IV – Induction 23 January 2025





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Videography if Any:

The event was recorded and will be made available for reference to all participants.

4. Programme Structure & Schedule

Date: 23 January 2025

Venue: Seminar Hall, Academic Block A

Time: 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Time	Topic	Resource Person
10:00 – 10:30 AM	Inaugural Session and Welcome	Director of Research
10:30 – 11:00 AM	Institutional Overview & Academic Calendar	Dean of Academics
11:00 – 11:45 AM	Doctoral Policy, Registration & Coursework	Ph.D. Cell Coordinator
11:45 – 12:15 PM	Research Ethics & Plagiarism Awareness	Chairperson, Research Ethics Committee
12:15 – 12:30 PM	Tea Break	
12:30 – 1:15 PM	Funding Schemes (ICSSR, ICMR, DST, UGC, etc.)	Research Funding Officer
1:15 – 2:00 PM	Lunch Break	
2:00 – 2:45 PM	How to Choose Research Topics and Supervisors	Senior Faculty Panel
2:45 – 3:15 PM	Library Orientation, e-Resources, and URKUND	Librarian & ICT Head



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Time	Topic	Resource Person
	Access	
3:15 – 3:45 PM	Scholar Testimonials & Interactive Q&A	Ongoing Ph.D. Scholars
3:45 – 4:00 PM	Vote of Thanks & Certificate Distribution	Academic Office Team

5. Key Highlights

- Participation from 46 scholars across multiple disciplines.
- Distribution of a detailed *Ph.D. Induction Handbook* covering rules, coursework structure, forms, and deadlines.
- Access to e-resources like JSTOR, Scopus, and Shodhganga explained in a live demonstration.
- Motivational testimonies from senior Ph.D. students.
- Real-time clarification of procedural doubts.
- Group photo and refreshments arranged post-event.

6. Planning and Coordination

Planning Process:

- Event planned one month in advance through coordination meetings.
- Invitations and reminders sent via email and WhatsApp.
- Handbook and presentation content reviewed and approved by the Director of Research.

Organizing Team:

- **Convener:** Dr. Anjali Upadhye, Director of Research
- **Coordinator:** Mr. Umesh Kulkarni



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- **Logistics:** IT Cell, Admin Team
- **Documentation:** Ms. Prachi K., Academic Office

Budget (Approximate):

- Printing of handbooks and certificates: ₹3,000
- Refreshments and lunch: ₹7,500
- AV setup and recording: ₹2,000
- Total Budget: ₹12,500
(Supported by Institutional Research Promotion Fund)

7. Outcomes and Impact

- **Engagement:** Nearly 100% participation with active involvement during Q&A sessions.
- **Feedback:** 90% rated the event as *Excellent*, 10% as *Very Good*.
- **Confidence Building:** 95% reported increased clarity about research goals and institutional expectations.
- **Networking:** Several scholars initiated cross-disciplinary study group WhatsApp chats post-event.

8. Feedback Summary

Key Feedback Questions (Scale: Excellent–Fair)

Question	Excellent (%)	Very Good (%)	Good (%)	Fair (%)
Clarity of sessions	72%	22%	6%	0%
Usefulness of materials	70%	24%	6%	0%
Relevance to research	76%	18%	6%	0%
Interaction and Q&A	68%	26%	6%	0%
Overall satisfaction	74%	20%	6%	0%



9. Recommendations & Follow-Up

- Include a separate session for international publication guidelines.
- Offer a digital toolkit (with reference management tools, data analysis software links).
- Conduct quarterly progress meetups and proposal presentation clinics.
- Launch a peer-mentorship programme matching new scholars with senior ones.

Next Steps:

- Feedback report submitted to Research Board.
- WhatsApp group created for ongoing updates and reminders.
- Recording and handbook shared via institutional email.

10. Attachments

- Induction Brochure
- Attendance Sheet
- Feedback Summary Graph
- Group Photo
- Digital Handbook (PDF)
- Certificate Sample
- Programme Schedule