

**DIRECTION 1 of 2022**  
**DIRECTION TO PROVIDE FOR AWARD OF GRACE MARKS FOR PASSING AN**  
**EXAMINATION**

**Whereas, Maharashtra Universities Act, 2016 (hereinafter referred to as Act) has come into force from 2016-17 and was amended from time to time,**

**AND**

**Whereas it is expedient to provide for the award of grace marks for passing an examination the Director, Institute of Science, Nagpur is hereby pleased to make the following direction**

**AND**

**Whereas, Dr. Abhay Khamborkar, the Academic Coordinator has considered, accepted, and recommended to the Director, Institute of Science, Nagpur with draft direction and other details.**

**AND**

**I, Dr. Anjali Rahatgaonkar, Director, Institute of Science, Nagpur do hereby issue the following Direction.**

1. This Direction may be called “Direction to provide for the award of Grace Marks for passing an examination
2. This Direction shall come into force with effect from the date of its approval by the Director, Institute of Science, Nagpur
3. In this direction, unless the context otherwise requires :
  - (a) “Act” means the Maharashtra Universities Act, 2016;
  - (b) “Board of Examinations and Evaluation” means the Board of Examinations duly constituted in accordance with Act and is hereafter referred to as the “Board”.
  - (c) “Examination” means an examination prescribed by the Institute of Science, Nagpur under Direction.
  - (d) “Student” means and includes a person who is enrolled as such by the Institute or receiving instructions qualifying for any Degree, Diploma, or Certificate awarded by the University through Institute. It includes ex-students, external students, and students

registered as candidates (examinees) for any of the Degree, Diploma, or Certificate examinations.

- (e) “Marks” means the marks that have been awarded to the examinee/student by an examiner upon the valuation of his/her performance at the theory/practical/oral/sessional examination conducted by the Institute of Science, Nagpur.
- (f) “Grace Marks” means the additional marks, which are awardable to an examinee under this Ordinance.
- (g) “Head of passing” means a head under which minimum marks are prescribed for passing an examination.

**Explanation:**

- 1. For the purposes of this definition “Head of passing” includes theory, practical and sessional wherever prescribed.
- 2. The minimum aggregate marks wherever prescribed for passing an examination shall also form a Head of passing. “Prescribed” means prescribed by relevant direction for the concerned examination.
- 4. The grace marks shall be awarded for enabling an examinee for passing an examination in a subject(s).
- 5. In an examination an examinee/student shall be eligible for award of maximum Grace marks not exceeding 10 or 1% of the total aggregate marks prescribed for that examination; whichever is less. The award of grace marks shall be according to Clause 6.
- 6. (i) When an examinee fails to secure minimum passing marks in more than one head of passing then the maximum Grace marks permissible in one head of passing, shall be as given below:

Maximum marks in a Head of passing	Permissible Grace Marks
000 - 050	02
051 - 100	03
101 - 150	04
151 - 200	05
201 - 250	06
251 - 300	07
301 - 350	08
351 - 400	09

This distribution of grace marks shall be subject to maximum permissible grace marks as per clause (5) above.

- (ii) Where an examinee fails to secure minimum passing marks in only one head of passing but not being the head of aggregate marks, wherever prescribed, he/she shall be eligible for award of grace marks in that head of passing over and above the marks permissible under para 6 (i) above.

However, in such case, the total grace marks shall not exceed 10 or 1% of the total aggregate marks of the examination whichever is less. The award of additional grace marks over and above the marks permissible under clause 6 (i) shall be based on 1 grace mark for every 10 marks secured by an examinee over and above the minimum passing aggregate marks. The component of less than ten at any stage of counting over and above the prescribed minimum aggregate shall not be taken into account.

Where no minimum passing aggregate marks are prescribed, the award of additional grace marks shall be based on the total marks obtained by adding minimum passing marks under different heads of passing for that examination.

7. If the total grace marks awardable result in a fraction, it shall be converted to the next higher integer.
8. Wherever grace marks are awarded under clause 6 such grace marks shall be added to the aggregate marks/ grand total secured by an examinee in the examination.
9. Notwithstanding anything contained herein or in any other Ordinance or Statute in force, the benefit of grace marks shall not accrue to an examinee merely based on marks obtained by way of sessional where the sessional marks do not form a separate head of passing.
10. The award of grace marks shall be reflected in the statement of marks with the indication that Grace marks are only for passing the examination.
11. The grace marks shall be shown in the Tabulation Register. Also in the statement of marks grace marks so awarded will be included in marks scored by the examinee and be carried forward to the grand total. The following sign with a note shall be printed at the bottom of the statement of marks.

**“NOTE : (\*) Passes by grace marks vide Direction No. 1 of 2022.**

12. Provision of grace marks under this ordinance shall not be applicable to the examinee who remains absent for theory examination or part of it and/or practical/sessional/internal assessment if they are separate heads of passing.
13. The provision of this direction regarding the award of grace marks shall not be available for seeking exemption(s) in one or more paper(s)/subject(s).
14. The examinee passing the examination with grace marks shall not be eligible to be placed in the merit list and also shall not be eligible for any Institute / University Scholarship, medal(s), prize(s), or any other Institute / University awards pertaining to that examination.
15. For the Post Graduate examinee/student giving a declaration for securing higher division and for the improvement of division, the facility of awarding grace marks as per provisions of this Direction shall not be applicable.

Date: - 01.03.2022

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