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KANCHI MAMUNIVAR GOVERNMENT INSTITUTE FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDIES AND RESEARCH

(Autonomous)

(Affiliated to Pondicherry University)

"A College with Potential for Excellence"

Accredited with "B++" Grade by NAAC

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PROSPECTUS

PH.D. ADMISSIONS 2026-27



FOREWORD

Kanchi Mamunivar Government Institute for Postgraduate Studies and Research (KMGIPSR), Puducherry, stands as a beacon of higher learning and research excellence in South India. Since its inception in **1989**, the institute has been committed to advancing postgraduate education and fostering a culture of inquiry, innovation, and integrity. Affiliated with **Pondicherry University** and recognized by the **University Grants Commission (UGC)**, KMGIPSR has continually evolved to meet the dynamic needs of academia and society.

The launch of **Ph.D. admissions from the academic year 2026–27** marks a significant milestone in the institute’s journey towards becoming a comprehensive research centre. This initiative reflects our vision to nurture scholars who will contribute to national development through rigorous research, ethical scholarship, and interdisciplinary collaboration. Recently UGC has revised the Minimum Standards and Procedures for award of Ph.D. degree through a gazette notification on 7th November 2022. KMGIPSR has revised the Ph.D. regulations accordingly. The present regulations shall be called “KMGIPSR Ph. D. Regulations – 2026”. The framework outlined in this prospectus ensures full compliance with **UGC Ph. D. Regulations (2022)** and embodies the principles of transparency, inclusivity, and academic excellence.

As we embark on this new chapter, KMGIPSR reaffirms its commitment to quality assurance, innovation and global relevance. The doctoral programs will not only strengthen the institutional research ecosystem but also empower scholars to address contemporary challenges through knowledge creation and application.

We invite aspiring researchers to join us in this pursuit of excellence and contribute to the intellectual growth of our nation.

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INSTITUTIONAL OVERVIEW

KMGIPSR was founded in 1989 as a government run postgraduate and research centre to strengthen higher education in Puducherry. The institute is affiliated with Pondicherry University and recognized by the University Grants Commission (UGC). Over the years, it has grown into a hub for postgraduate and research studies, offering M.A., M.Sc., M.Com., and Ph.D. programs across diverse disciplines.

The campus, spread over 5 acres in Lawspet, adjacent to Puducherry airport accommodates around 600+ students annually, supported by a dedicated faculty strength of 61 members. The institute has consistently featured in national rankings, including the NIRF College Rankings, reflecting its academic standards and research output.

ACADEMIC STRENGTHS

- **Programs Offered:** Postgraduate courses in Arts, Commerce and Science with departments such as Physics, Computer Science, Mathematics, Botany, Zoology, Chemistry, Tamil, English, French, History, Economics, Corporate Secretaryship, Commerce, Home science, Statistics and Tourism.
- **Accreditation:** NAAC accredited (Grade B⁺⁺ in recent cycles).
- **Faculty & Students:** 61 faculty members guiding ~600 students annually.
- **Research Focus:** Advanced postgraduate and doctoral programs, with emphasis on interdisciplinary research.

INSTITUTIONAL POSITIONING

KMGIPSR has established itself as a College with Potential for Excellence, recognized for its contribution to higher education in Puducherry. Its affiliation with Pondicherry University ensures compliance with national academic standards, while its NAAC accreditation highlights its commitment to quality assurance. The institute's mission is to foster academic excellence, leadership and research innovation among its students.

RELEVANCE FOR Ph.D. ADMISSIONS (2026–27)

With its strong postgraduate foundation, KMGIPSR is well-positioned to expand Ph.D. admissions from 2026–27 onwards. The introduction of doctoral programs will:

- Strengthen its role as a regional research hub.
- Align with UGC Ph.D. regulations (2022).
- Enhance its contribution to national rankings (NIRF and NAAC).
- Provide opportunities for faculty-led research projects and collaborations.

VISION FOR Ph.D. ADMISSIONS (2026–27)

Beginning with the academic year 2026–27, KMGIPSR will formally launch Ph.D. admissions across its research departments. This initiative is designed to:

- Strengthen the institute's role as a regional research hub.
- Align with UGC Ph.D. Regulations (2022) for transparency and compliance.
- Provide structured opportunities for doctoral research and innovation.
- Enhance the institute's contribution to national rankings and accreditation frameworks.

MESSAGE FROM THE DIRECTOR

"KMGIPSR has always stood for academic excellence and research innovation. With the introduction of structured Ph.D. programs from 2026–27, we aim to nurture a new generation of scholars who will contribute meaningfully to knowledge creation and societal development. Our commitment to quality, compliance and inclusivity will ensure that doctoral research at KMGIPSR meets the highest national and international standards."

**Director,
KMGIPSR, Puducherry**

Ph.D. ADMISSION PROSPECTUS – 2026–27

Institutional Introduction:

Kanchi Mamunivar Government Institute for Postgraduate Studies and Research (KMGIPSR), established in 1989, is a premier postgraduate centre located in Lawspet, Puducherry. Affiliated with Pondicherry University and recognized by the University Grants Commission (UGC), the institute has steadily evolved into a hub of advanced learning and research. With a dedicated faculty strength of over 60 members and an annual intake of nearly 500 postgraduate students, KMGIPSR offers programs in Arts, Science, and Commerce, alongside M.Phil. and Ph.D. research opportunities.

The institute is NAAC accredited and has been recognized as a College with Potential for Excellence, reflecting its commitment to quality education, interdisciplinary research, and academic innovation. Its departments span diverse disciplines including Physics, Computer Science, Mathematics, Botany, Zoology, Chemistry, Tamil, English, French, History, Economics, Corporate Secretaryship, Commerce, Home science, Statistics and Tourism.. Over the years, KMGIPSR has contributed significantly to the intellectual and cultural development of Puducherry, while aligning with national higher education benchmarks such as NIRF rankings and UGC quality standards.

1. Ph.D. Admission Notification

- Admission to Ph.D. programs will be announced annually during June of every year for each academic session.
- Online applications through the institute's portal.
- Application fees for Puducherry residence: Rs.500/-
- Other state candidates: Rs.500/-

2. Eligibility Criteria

- Candidates belong to Puducherry state are exclusively eligible for admission into the Ph. D. programme in KMGIPSR.
- Other state candidates are allowed to apply and appear the entrance examination for Ph. D. admission in to their respective departments. Their admission will be materialised if the vacancy rose after distributing the existing seats to the Puducherry residents.
- Candidates must hold a **Master's degree (10+2+3+2 or 10+2+5 pattern)** in the relevant subject or allied discipline.
- Minimum **55% marks** (50% for SC/ST/OBC/PwD).
- Final-year PG students may apply.
- JRF/ NET/ UGC-CSIR/INSPIRE fellows are **exempted from entrance exam**.

3. Entrance Examination

- To be conducted during **July, 2026**.

- **Weightage:** Entrance Exam (70%), Academic Record + Interview (30%).
- Mode: MCQ/ Computer-based test with subject-specific and research aptitude.
- Results in **July**, interviews in **August** and followed by admission. <https://kmcpgs.edu.in>

4. Ph.D. Regulations

- Duration: **Minimum 3 years, Maximum 6 years (additional 2 years for girl students).**
- Coursework: **Research Methodology + Subject-specific papers (mandatory).**
- Apart from above, all Ph.D. Scholars are required to complete a course on “**Research and Publication Ethics (RPE)**”.
- Continuous progress review by Doctoral Committee.
- Thesis submission requires **two publications in refereed journals.**

5. Reservation Policy

- As per Government of Puducherry norms
- Relaxations in eligibility and fees accordingly.

6. Important Dates

- **Online Registration:** June, 2026.
- **Entrance Exam:** July, 2026.
- **Results:** July, 2026.
- **Interviews & Admission:** August, 2026.
- **Commencement of Course:** August, 2026. (<https://kmcpgs.edu.in>)

7. Fee Structure

- Registration Fee: ₹2000/- (one-time)
- Tuition Fee: ₹10,000/- per year
- Thesis Evaluation Fee: ₹25,000/-

8. Contact Information

- Admissions Office, KMGIPSR
Email: kmcpgs@gmail.com
Phone: 0413- 2251687

Ph.D. ADMISSION REGULATIONS HANDBOOK – 2026–27

1. General Regulations

- Governed by **UGC Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree Regulations, 2022.**
- Applicable to all departments and research centres under KMGIPSR.
- Admission strictly through **Entrance Examination + Interview** or exemption via **JRF/NET/ UGC-CSIR/INSPIRE.**

2. Admission Process

- Annual notification during **June, 2026.**
- Online application with prescribed fee.
- Entrance Exam in **July**, results in **July**, interviews in **August**, classes commence in **August, 2026.**
- Reservation policy as per Government of Puducherry norms.

3. Coursework Regulations

- Mandatory coursework within **first year**:
 - **Research Methodology** (compulsory).
 - Subject-specific advanced papers.
- Minimum **55% marks** required to pass coursework.
- Coursework exemption possible for candidates with prior M.Phil. as per UGC norms.

4. Doctoral Committee

- Each scholar assigned a **Research Advisory Committee (RAC).**
- RAC reviews progress **every semester.**
- Recommendations recorded and submitted to IQAC for compliance.

5. Progress Evaluation

- Scholars must present **annual progress seminars.**
- Non-compliance may lead to cancellation of registration.
- Scholars must publish **minimum two research papers** in refereed journals before thesis submission.

6. Thesis Submission

- Minimum duration: **3 years** (M. Phil. holders have 2 year); maximum: **6 years.**

(Additional 2 years for women candidates).

- Thesis must undergo **plagiarism check** ($\leq 10\%$ similarity allowed).
- Submission requires RAC approval and proof of publications.
- Evaluation by **two Indian examiners one foreign examiners** + (Viva voce).

7. Ethics & Plagiarism Policy

- Strict adherence to **academic integrity**.
- Plagiarism above threshold leads to rejection.
- Research involving human/animal subjects requires **Ethics Committee clearance**.

8. Award of Degree

- Degree awarded only after successful viva voce and compliance with all regulations.
- Notification issued by Controller of Examinations.
- Degree certificate mentions discipline and title of thesis.

9. Fee & Financial Assistance

- Registration Fee: ₹2000/- (one-time).
- Tuition Fee: ₹10,000/- per year.
- Thesis Evaluation Fee: ₹25,000/- (Rs.10000/- to be collected at second year and Rs. 15000/- before submission of the thesis.
- Eligible scholars may apply for **UGC/CSIR fellowships** or institute research fellowships from Govt. of Puducherry.

Ph.D. ADMISSION BROCHURE – 2026–27

1. Admission Notification

- Annual notification released in **June , 2026**
- Applications accepted **online only** via institute portal.
- Application fee: Rs. 500/-

2. Eligibility Criteria

- Master's degree in relevant subject or allied discipline.
- Minimum **55% marks** (50% for SC/ST/OBC/PwD).
- Candidates awaiting final PG results may apply.
- JRF/NET/ UGC-CSIR/INSPIRE fellows exempted from entrance exam.

3. Entrance Examination

- Conducted in **July, 2026**.
- Mode: Computer-based test.
- Structure:
 - Research Aptitude (30%)
 - Subject-specific (40%)
 - Interview & Academic Record (30%)
- Results declared in **July 2026**, interviews in **July 2026**.

4. Ph.D. Regulations

- Duration: Minimum **3 years**, Maximum **6 years**.
- Coursework: Mandatory **Research Methodology + Subject-specific papers** with compulsory subject - **Research and Publication Ethics (RPE)** for all students.
- Doctoral Committee reviews progress every semester.
- Thesis submission requires **two publications in refereed journals**.
- Plagiarism checks and compliance with **UGC 2022 Ph.D. Regulations**.

5. Reservation Policy

- As per Government of Puducherry norms

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