



Sher-e-Kashmir
University of Agricultural Sciences & Technology of Kashmir
Main Campus Shalimar Srinagar

Subject: Allocating of seats for Postgraduate Programmes in Division of Horticulture, Faculty of Agriculture, Wadura -reg.

University Order No. 35 (Acad.) of 2026

Dated: 17.04.2026

- Whereas, Agenda Item No.45(19)(02) pertaining to institution of M.Sc and Ph.D degree programmes in the disciplines of Fruit Science, Vegetable Science, and Floriculture & Landscaping at the Division of Horticulture, Faculty of Agriculture, Wadura, (to be academically accredited to Faculty of Horticulture, Shalimar) was accorded in-principle approval by the Academic Council in its 45th meeting; and,
- Whereas, the matter was subsequently examined by the duly constituted Accreditation Committee of the university, which upon detailed deliberations observed that the said programmes are already being offered at the respective Divisions of Faculty of Horticulture, Shalimar, and that the proposal under reference has resulted in a duplicity which could have been avoided; and,
- Whereas, the Committee, however, taking into consideration the available staff strength and infrastructure at the Division of Horticulture, Faculty of Agriculture, Wadura, found the same adequate in respect of the disciplines of Fruit Science and Vegetable Science, and recommended that in order to avoid any academic disadvantage to the faculty, a defined number of seats be earmarked in these disciplines at Wadura, over and above the sanctioned intake capacity for such disciplines at Faculty of Horticulture, Shalimar; and,
- Whereas, the Committee further recommended that no seats be earmarked for the discipline of Floriculture & Landscaping due to non-availability of commensurate human resource in the Division of Horticulture, FoA, Wadura; and,
- Whereas, the Committee also recommended that such earmarked seats in the Disciplines of Fruit Science & Vegetable Science at Division of Horticulture, Wadura shall be academically accredited to the Faculty of Horticulture, Shalimar, and that the existing dispensation followed for inter-faculty academic accreditation within the University shall continue to apply *mutatis-mutandis*; and,
- Whereas, the Committee recommended nomination of Head, Division of Horticulture, Faculty of Agriculture, Wadura, as Nodal Officer for coordination and academic facilitation in respect of these programmes.

Now, therefore, in pursuance of the above and as approved by the Competent Authority, it is hereby ordered as under:

1. The following number of seats for M.Sc and Ph.D degree programmes in the Disciplines of Fruit Science & Vegetable Science are hereby earmarked at the Division of Horticulture, Faculty of Agriculture, Wadura, with effect from Autumn Semester-2026, over and above the existing intake in respect of such disciplines in their parent divisions at Faculty of Horticulture, Shalimar:

Programme	General (OM+ Reserved)	Self Finance	Total
M.Sc (Hort.) Fruit Science	6	3	9
Ph.D (Hort.) Fruit Science	4	2	6
M.Sc (Hort.) Veg. Science	4	2	6
Ph.D (Hort.) Veg. Science	2	1	3

2. The aforesaid programmes shall be academically accredited to the Faculty of Horticulture, Shalimar, and the existing norms governing such accreditation within the University shall apply.
3. Professor & Head, Division of Horticulture, Faculty of Agriculture, Wadura, shall function as the Nodal Officer for coordination and seamless implementation of the said programmes at Faculty of Agriculture, Wadura, and shall accordingly report to the Dean, Faculty of Horticulture, Shalimar, as and when required.

Sd/-
(Prof. Azmat Alam Khan)
Registrar

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- Director Education, SKUAST-Kashmir, Shalimar.
- Dean, Faculty of Horticulture, SKUAST-Kashmir, Shalimar.
- Dean, Faculty of Agriculture, SKUAST-Kashmir, Wadura.
- Professor & Head, Division of Fruit Science, Faculty of Horticulture, Shalimar.
- Professor & Head, Division of Vegetable Science, Faculty of Horticulture, Shalimar.
- Professor & Head, Division of Horticulture (Nodal Officer), Faculty of Agriculture, Wadura.
- Professor Incharge ARIS for placing on the university website.
- Deputy/Assistant Registrar, FoA/FoH, Wadura/Shalimar.
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