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**Subject: Selection of the Title of a Degree Program**

1. It has been observed that some universities are awarding the degrees with titles containing too broad field names viz. Social Sciences, Natural Sciences etc. It is understood that there are many subjects in the field of Social Sciences (such as Economics, Education, Psychology etc). Similarly, Natural Sciences include a number of subjects (such as Physics, Chemistry, Biology etc). Titling the degrees like MS/ MPhil/PhD in Social Sciences or MS/ MPhil/ PhD in Natural Sciences etc. do not clearly identify the specialization of the program attended by the individual.
2. Above said in view, it is conveyed that the broad titles which don't give the clear understanding about the specialization of a graduate, should be avoided. Universities should select the Title of a Program carefully keeping in view the focused field/ subject related to the program.
3. This issues with the approval of HEC Competent Authority.

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