

New PhD regulations in 2 months: UGC vice-chairman

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Bengaluru: The University Grants Commission (UGC) is planning to introduce new regulations for PhD in the next two months.

Speaking on the sidelines of the convocation of MS Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences on Wednesday, the vice-chairman of UGC, Prof Bhushan Patwardhan, said that in order to understand why the quality of PhDs has come down despite UGC regulations in place, a study has been initiated where PhDs will be

mapped to regulations and it will be checked if they are being followed in the 14 institutions in the country, which are a part of this programme.

“The institutes will study the PhDs awarded and find out if they have followed the norms, for instance, whether the teachers were qualified to guide them. A common methodology has been prepared. We will also introduce the new regulations,” he said. One PhD student, 336 postgraduates and 467 undergraduates received their degrees at convocation ceremony.