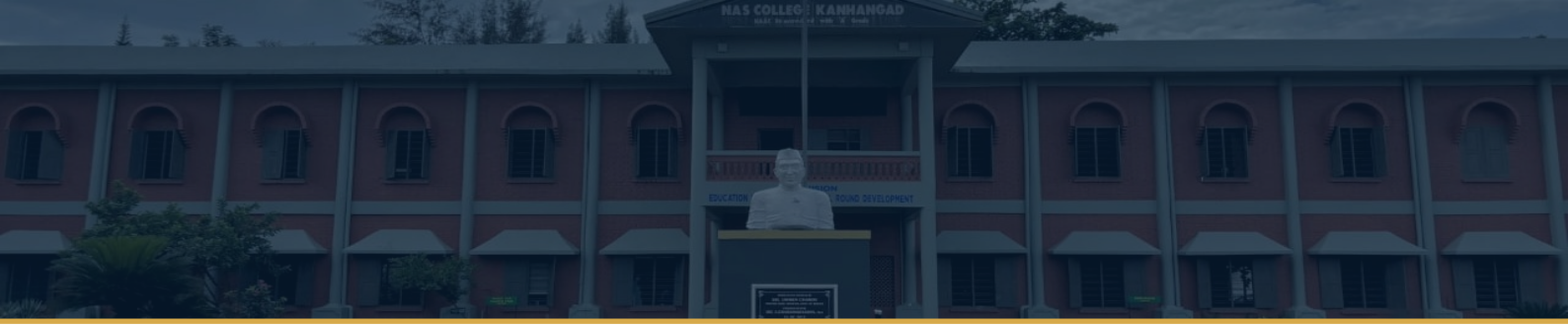

NEHRU ARTS AND SCIENCE COLLEGE KANHANGAD

NASC DOCTORAL DISSERTATION AWARD – 2026

Celebrating Excellence in Doctoral Research

OVERVIEW

The NASC Doctoral Dissertation Award has been instituted in memory of the late Dr. A. J. Ragina and the late Dr. Geetha K. K. Dr. A. J. Ragina, Assistant Professor of Physics at Nehru Arts and Science College Kanhangad, was an inspirational teacher and dedicated researcher in Materials Science. Dr. Geetha K. K., Associate Professor of Statistics and Research Guide at Kannur University, was an accomplished teacher and dynamic researcher in the field of Operations research: Inventory models. Their passion for knowledge, enthusiasm for teaching and unwavering commitment to research continue to inspire the academic community. These awards stand as a tribute to their remarkable contributions and enduring legacy.

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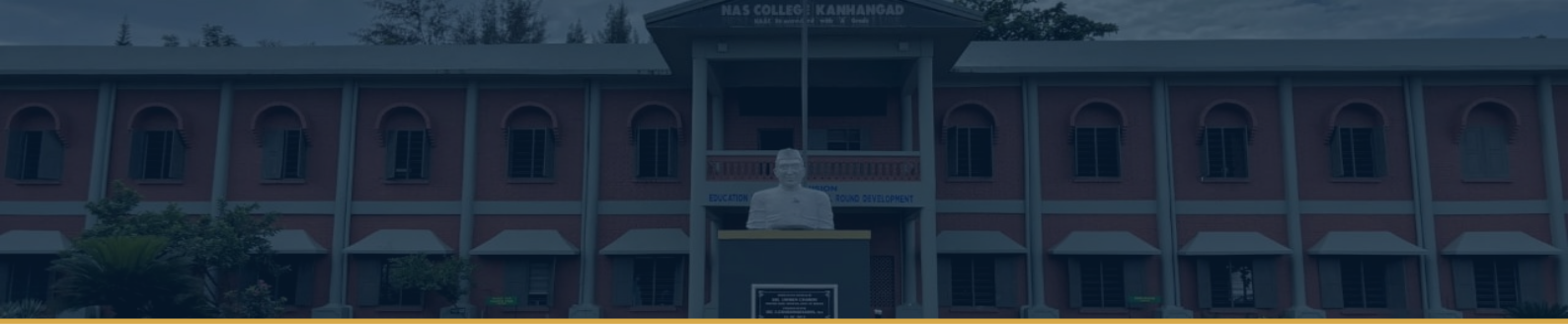

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- Mathematical Sciences – Mathematics, Statistics and Computer Science
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- A recommendation letter, duly signed by the Research Supervisor/Co-Supervisor/Head of the Department or Institution, justifying the candidate’s suitability for the award.
- An attested copy of the original/provisional Ph.D. degree certificate.
- Details of publications in peer-reviewed journals, books and conference proceedings relevant to the Ph.D. research.
- Reports submitted by external examiners, if available (preferred).

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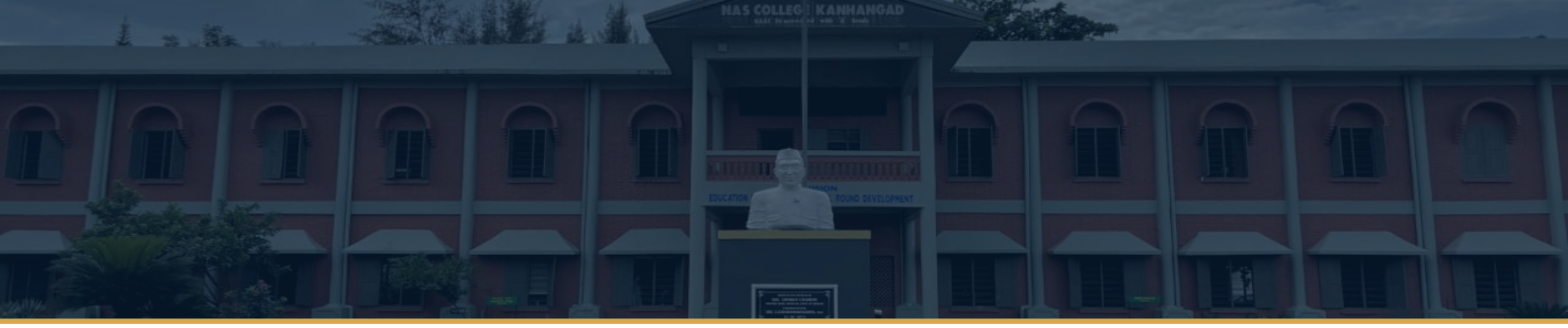
The submitted dissertations will be evaluated based on the significance and originality of the research, its potential impact on theory and practice, quality of presentation and relevant publications pertaining to the research in peer-reviewed journals, national/international conference proceedings and books.



An expert committee constituted for this purpose will evaluate the submissions. The decision of the committee shall be final and binding.

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