



# National Institute of Science Education and Research Bhubaneswar

(NISER, Jatni, Khurda—752 050)

## PhD LETTER of REFERENCE

### NOTE TO THE REFEREE:

This form is given to you by an applicant of the Ph.D. programme at NISER, Bhubaneswar. We would appreciate an authentic and frank assessment of the candidate as that would facilitate our evaluation procedure. Your report will be kept confidential.

1. I have known the applicant Mr./Ms. \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ years.

My knowledge of this student is based on: (*check as many*)

- ☐ Having him/her in one or more courses
- ☐ Knowing him/her personally
- ☐ Supervision of his/her thesis/project
- ☐ Inquiry and discussion with my colleagues
- ☐ Some other sources

### 2. Performance in my courses:

Course Title	No. of Students	Grade and Rank	Remarks

3. Overall ranking of the candidate among your students in the last three years:

*A = top 5%, B = top 25%, C = below top 25%*

4. Please indicate the levels of the candidate's abilities with regard to the following.

*A = Outstanding, B = High, C = Medium, D = Low*

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| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Knowledge of the subject</i>          | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Interest in experiments</i>   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Capacity of hard work</i>             | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Interest in theory</i>        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Capacity for independent thinking</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Communication skills</i>      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Motivation for research</i>           | <input type="checkbox"/> <i>Ability to work in a team</i> |

5. Would you consider the applicant good enough to be your own Ph.D. student? Yes / No

6. Please give your remarks about the applicant (add an extra sheet, if necessary). In addition to your general remarks, please address the following questions: Are the abilities of the candidate better than as indicated by his/her marks/grades? What are, if any, the special strengths/aptitudes of the applicant in your opinion?

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**7. My recommendation:**

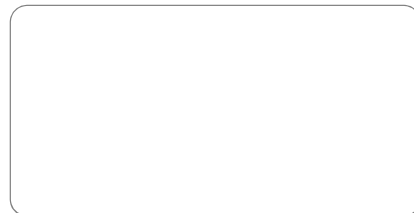
- ☐ I recommend him/her without any reservations
- ☐ I recommend him/her
- ☐ I do not recommend him/her

Name of the referee: \_\_\_\_\_

Designation / Position: \_\_\_\_\_  
*seal*

***Full Signature with official***

Date: \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/ 20 \_\_\_\_

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