Institutional Distinctiveness

• Details of the performance of the institution in one area distinctive to its vision, priority and thrust

IGIDR institute has been largely successful in maintaining and sustaining over its lifetime a standard of academic excellence resulting from following the best practices instituted by and adhered to by most of the prestigious institutes in India and the world. For a deemed to be university, teaching is an important component of institute's activities.

The Institute provides decentralized system for faculty and students which establishes a free intellectual atmosphere of research ideas. Thrust areas have evolved internally through brainstorming, with external expert inputs through Academic Council, Research Advisory Committees and discussion meetings.

The Institute's academic excellence is perhaps best reflected in the diversity and quality of research emanating from the Institute. The research carried out in IGIDR spans various areas including but not limited to Computational and Theoretical General Equilibrium, Industrial Organization, Auction Theory, Macroeconomics, Theoretical and Applied Microeconomics, Development Economics, Corporate Governance, Banking and Finance, Energy and Environmental Economics, Climate Change, International Finance and Trade, Labor and Employment, Agricultural Economics and Food Security, Health and Nutrition, Public Economics, Game Theory, Poverty and Inequality, Indian Economy and a myriad other fields. Research papers by our faculty members find their rightful place among the most highly ranked journals, both international as well as national.

Institutional Policy for encouraging Ph.D. students to spend up to one semester in foreign universities of their choice: The objective of having an institutional policy for encouraging Ph.D students to spend up to one semester in universities of their choice abroad is to enable a student to enrich her/his academic training and to expand her/his research opportunities and capabilities.

IGIDR held its Ph.D. Colloquium (Conversations on Research (CoRe)) held from November 13th-16th, 2018. The Colloquium is part of the Institute's overall mandate to foster excellence in research by stimulating interactions among young researchers across different academic institutions. A total of 16 Ph.D. scholars who are in the advanced stages of their doctoral work were invited to present a paper/chapter from their thesis. A total of 12 Ph.D. scholars who are in the initial stages of their Ph.D. were invited to present an overview of their thesis in poster presentations.