



FORMAT OF THE THESIS

1. **Structure of Thesis:**

The structure of the thesis shall conform to the following plan:

- i. General guideline: The thesis shall follow the referencing style approved by the concerned discipline (IEEE/APA/MLA/Chicago/Vancouver or any other discipline-specific style. (<http://ieeeauthorcenter.ieee.org> or any other appropriate format accepted internationally may be referred to).

ii. Text guidelines:

Font & Font size: a) Font for English: Times New Roman, Font size 12

b) Font for Hindi or other languages, Unicode version, Font size 14

Line Spacing: a) For texts: 1.5-line spacing

b) Long tables/quotations/footnotes/captions/references: 1-line (Single)

iii. Grammar and spelling:

- a. Avoid the use of overly convoluted sentence structures and the writing should be free of grammatical, syntactical and spelling errors.
- b. A single spelling convention should be used throughout the Dissertation/Thesis.
- c. The sentence structure and word arrangement (Syntax) should conform to the chosen spelling convention.

iv. Figures:

- a. Images should be in JPEG format.
- b. Caption pictures or illustrations as Fig. 4-3. The first number refers to the chapter number and the second to the illustration or image number within the chapter.

v. Tables:

- a. Entitle the table the same way as the image (e.g., Table 3-2 for the second table in Chapter 3).

vi. References:

- a. As suggested by the DRC.

2. **Thesis organization:** The Ph.D. thesis should be compiled in a structured format as suggested below:

a. **Front Matter**

- i. Acknowledgements
- ii. Declaration of Attendance (Appendix-O)

- iii. Certificate by the Supervisor (Appendix-P)
- iv. Synopsis with Abstract
- v. Contents
- vi. List of Figures
- vii. List of Tables
- viii. Abbreviations

b. Main Text

- i. Chapter 1: Introduction
- ii. Chapter 2: Literature Review
- iii. Chapter 3: Subject-specific
- iv. Chapter 4: Subject-specific
- v. Chapter 5: Subject-specific
- vi. Chapter 6: Conclusion/References

c. Back Matter

- i. Annexure 1: Review paper manuscript
- ii. Annexure 2: Conference paper presentation certificate(s)
- iii. Annexure 3: Plagiarism report

d. Others

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| i. Binding of thesis cover: | Soft Binding |
| ii. Cover colour: | White/Blue |
| iii. Page Margins all sides (Top/Bottom/Left/Right): | 2.54 cm |
| iv. Left Gutter: | 1 cm |

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