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- 1. Business Administration
- 2. Marketing
- 3. Banking and Finance

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The following are the research guides associated with the Research Center

- 1. Dr. Ravindra Deshmukh
- 2. Dr. Vinay Rananware
- 3. Dr. Paresh Bora
- 4. Dr. Shabnam Gurung
- 5. Dr. Noel Parge
- 6. Dr. Sham Kharat
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- 8. Dr. Bhagvan Sangle
- 9. Dr. Ajaykumar Palwe