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কুমার ভাস্কর বর্মা সংস্কৃত আৰু পুৰাতন অধ্যয়ন বিশ্ববিদ্যালয়

KUMAR BHASKAR VARMA SANSKRIT AND ANCIENT STUDIES UNIVERSITY

RESEARCH PROMOTION POLICY

Approved by the Academic Council, Kumar Bhaskar Sanskrit and Ancient Studies University, Nalbari
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1.1 Prelude: Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit & Ancient Studies University is envisioned to serve the humanity through pursuit of excellence in teaching, innovation, research and extension. To accomplish these, the university is committed to provide a vibrant academic atmosphere in innovative and cutting-edge research within and across disciplines. The broad framework of the Research Promotion Policy is to promote research, innovation and intellectual contribution to ensure integrity, quality and ethics in research. Along with these, the policy will also focus on consolidating and initiating intellectual dialogues between Sanskrit and other knowledge domains- past and present. The policy will also encourage documentation and archiving the language/linguistic, philosophical and cultural heritage of India.

1.2 Aims: The very essence of the University is embedded in the study of ancient Indian knowledge system and hence the University seeks to revisit and study it at present context through research, consultancy and collaboration. The present Research Promotion Policy aims to promote the various principles of quality research related to Sanskrit and Ancient Indian Knowledge system as well as the knowledge of modern streams as per social requirements.

1.3 Objectives: The objective of the Research Promotion Policy is to foster an innovative research culture among the faculties and research scholars of the university. The policy also attempts to ensure the regulation for offering research degrees in Sanskrit&Ancient studies and allied subjects.

1.4 Research Council: There will be a Research Council for monitoring all the research activities in the university. The Research Council has to take all strategic decisions, corrective actions, preparing, updating policies as per the UGC norms. Research Council is to be headed by the Vice Chancellor. The Research Council will consist of the following members:

- i. Vice- Chancellor- Chairman
- ii. Registrar – Member Secretary
- iii. One member to be nominated by Executive Council
- iv. One member to be nominated from Academic Council
- v. Controller of Examinations-Member
- vi. Regular HODs of the Concerned Departments- Members

Strategy for Promotion of Research Degrees:

Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit & Ancient Studies University will have a Research Council that will facilitate and monitor all the research activities. It encourages researches in the field of Indian philosophy, Ancient Indian Education and Shastric education. Nature of Research in the University should be Indigenous or Ancient India based. Interdisciplinary and Collaborative researches are also encouraged by the university. Moreover, the research promotion policy of the University also encourages to provide incentives to faculties/research scholars who receive state, national and international recognition/awards in terms of research.

2. RESEARCH ACTIVITIES:

The research activities of Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit and Ancient Studies University are classified in the following aspects -

2. a. Academic Research

2. a. i) All the departments are to conduct research in focused areas of Ancient Studies in addition to allied areas.

2. a. ii) The University Departments shall strive for recognition from Government agencies – UGC-SAP, CAS, Shastra - Chudamani Scheme, Ashtadashi Scheme and other similar Government organizations as well as Non-Government Sources.

2. a. iii) The university will encourage enrolment of JRFs, SRFs, Post-Doctoral Fellows as well as appointment of Research associates and any other Research Fellowships in the university.

2. a. iv) Faculty's research Publication in Scopus journal or UGC Care listed journal with high impact factor (Minimum 5) will be appreciated with appropriate recognition and incentives. The papers must be published as faculty/researcher of Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit & Ancient Studies University.

2. a. v) All research paper of faculties will have to go through plagiarism check before publication.

2. a. vi) The University will develop a scheme for preparation of critical edition of unpublished manuscript for research projects and research degrees.

2. a. vii) Translation of Sanskrit /Shastric texts as part of formal research degree will be accepted.

2. a. viii) Faculties/researchers are encouraged to write Sanskrit –Teeka-s/Commentaries on Sanskrit Texts and Study materials in Sanskrit.

2. a. ix) Research Promotion Policy approves the grant of 20 days Academic Leave to the faculties for research activities.

2. a. x) The Policy will also ensure Sabbatical Leave of Two years to undergo Special Training/further education/enhancement of Skill and knowledge.

2. b. Sponsored Projects & Grants to Promote Research at University Level

2. b. i) Faculties will be encouraged to apply for Government Sponsored project.

2. b. ii) The departments will be encouraged to apply for research funds from UGC-SAP, CAS, DST, ICSSR, ICPR, ICHR, Rastriya Sanskrit Sanstha, IGNCA, NMM, Sanskrit Academies Shastra Chudamani Scheme, Ashtadashi Scheme and other similar organizations of Government Agencies.

2. b. iii) Faculty members will be encouraged to apply for internal project to have external funding.

2. b. iv) The university may provide seed money for in-depth Shastric Training/interdisciplinary training to its teachers.

2. b. v) Required *seed money* for the internal projects may be arranged by the University.

2. b. vi) Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit & Ancient Studies University Research & Development Corpus fund shall be created by the University with adequate amount to encourage research and innovation in the university.

2. b. vii) The University will provide the required infrastructure to conduct research.

2. b. viii) Faculties are encouraged to seek sponsorship for projects from non-government agencies, i.e. industries, corporate houses, national and international bodies.

2. c. Extension Activities and Extramural Research

The University will organize educational programmes relevant to the community outside the University and faculty will be encouraged to conduct research on community issues.

2. c. i) Faculties, Research scholars and Students are to be encouraged to participate in extension and outreach activities organized by the University.

2. c. ii) The University shall encourage faculty exchange programme.

2. c. iii) The University shall develop 'Excellency Centre' in the relevant areas of research that shall be open to faculty, students and community people as well.

2. c. iv) The faculty members of Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit & Ancient Studies University are permitted to act as resource persons in the seminars, workshops, and conferences organized outside the university.

2. c. v) The Policy will encourage the university faculties to provide academic mentoring to newly established institutes.

2. d. Collaborative Research

2. d. i) The University encourages faculties to establish network with other higher institutions of learning within India and abroad and go for MOU.

2. d. ii) Any collaborative research project undertaken by the faculties with a foreign university/institute may be awarded appropriately.

2. d. iii) The Policy will encourage the faculties and research scholars to get funding for attending international conferences/Seminars/Workshops from external agencies.

2. e. Interdisciplinary Research

2. e. i) Faculties will be encouraged to conduct interdisciplinary research in their preferred field of research.

2. e. ii) Different experts from concerned disciplines will be encouraged to work together and required infrastructure will be provided for the same.

2. e. iii) The policy will support to explore possibilities to find resources for interdisciplinary research.

2. f. Consultancy

2. f. i) As an institute of higher learning, Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit & Ancient Studies University is liable to disseminate knowledge through consultancy service to Government, educational and research organizations, industries for welfare of the society.

2. f. ii) The research promotion policy will encourage the faculty to provide consultancy in consistence with the university's strategic identity, vision and ideology.

2. f. iii) The policy will encourage revenue generation for the university in terms of monetary benefit through consultancy along with enhancement of reputation and expanding the expertise of the faculty members.

2. d. Innovation, Incubations and Entrepreneurial Development, Patents, Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)

2. d. i) The University shall create innovative culture by organizing programmes such as ideation programme, collection of innovation from research undertaken in academic and extension areas.

2. d. ii) The University will award the faculties and research scholars for their innovative research activities with proper appreciation and incentives. The guidelines for the award will be decided by the University Research Council.

2. d. iii) University will focus on creating an eco-system for innovations including Incubation Centre, Research Labs, Manuscript Repositories, Subject Based Network, Teaching Learning Centres, MOOCs and other initiatives for creation and transfer of knowledge.

2. d. iv) The Policy seeks to create interest among the research scholars and students to establish start-up with developed incubated products and go for entrepreneurship.

2. d. v) Innovative successful projects of the faculties will be processed for procuring patent on completion, appropriate recognition and monetary incentives will also be provided.

2. d. vi) All researches conducted shall be covered by intellectual property right and copyright protection.

2. d. vii) The University shall provide support required for filling the formalities for getting the patent registered and licensed.

3. CODE OF ETHICS IN RESEARCH AND PUBLICATION

3. a. All research works carried out in the University (including publications) should be original in nature.

3. b. Research works carried out in the University should reflect rational attitude and scientific temperament. The research works should be free from personal biasness, prejudices and self-reflexivity of the researchers.

3. c. Research works should be carried out in a manner which is not antithetical to Indian values and the principles of Indian Constitution.

3. d. The University abides by the ethical guidelines vis-à-vis research and publication issued by the regulatory/statutory bodies and it further accentuates upon following any future guidelines that may be issued from time to time by such concerned bodies.

3. e. All the research works must be checked for plagiarism and certificates need to be furnished containing signatures of both research scholar as well as supervisor before submission of dissertation and thesis.

3. f. As part of its vision, the University encourages research and publication on issues related to Ancient Indian Knowledge system and Sanskrit literature.

3. g. The University disapproves of all sorts of discrimination of researchers and research participants based on gender, caste, religion, language and other such parameters.

3. h. In case of social research, the researchers ought to protect the dignity, integrity, privacy and confidentiality of personal information of the respondents or research subjects.

3. i. For sensitizing the students, researchers as well as faculty members on issues pertaining to ethics of research and publication, the University will, from time to time conduct workshops and orientation programmes.

3. j. The University is determined to ensure authenticity of publication and accordingly Plagiarism detecting software has been provided to all the faculties.

3. k. The University will establish Internal Ethics Committee for monitoring the ethical issues related to research.

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