

SDGS COLLEGE :: HINDUPUR

CODE OF ETHICS TO CHECK THE PLAGIARISM

OBJECTIVE

To promote research and publications of the faculty and students of this institution and to prevent the plagiarism in research and publications of faculty and students.

INTRODUCTION

For every human being ethics plays an important role in his all-round development and for every educational institution ethics is the most significant attribute in teaching and research. The main aim of educational institutions to build a strong nation with knowledge. In order to achieve this goal, teaching and research are the main important tools. Both teaching and research are the two faces of a coin, if any one of the face not there then the coin doesn't have any value. Hence every higher educational institution should have an active teaching and research activities.

In research, Plagiarism plays an important role in assessment of the research work. Sometimes the researchers and students are intentionally or unintentionally involves in plagiarism. This causes harm to the individual researcher / student and to the institution and at last it effects the nation. In this context this institution strongly condemn the plagiarism in research of faculty and students.

In this context it is the primary responsibility of every individual and institution to know about plagiarism. This institution strongly prohibits plagiarism in the research work and publications. This institution encourages the faculty and students to use plagiarism tools before publishing the research work. The institution provides URKUND software in which the researcher / student can upload the research work and from which they can able to know how much of work has been plagiarized.

1. PLAGIARISM

As per dictionary the word "*Plagiarism*" termed as "*the process or practice of using another person's idea or work and pretending that it is yours own*". Plagiarism is an unethical scientific behavior and which is never acceptable in the field of research. Using of others work should be properly acknowledge and violations of this leads to the plagiarism and it is punishable crime according to copyright act.

TYPES OF PLAGIARISM

Plagiarism can be of different types, but if we classify plagiarism broadly, it is of four types. They are

- a) **Direct Plagiarism:** In this method the researcher copies word for word for word of others work without any attribution and quotation marks. The intention of the researcher is to copy other ideas or research work. This kind of copying others work is unethical and it leads to the disciplinary action against the law.
- b) **Self-Plagiarism:** In this method of plagiarism, the student submits a work. In which the student mixes some parts of his previous works, which the student conducted the work with other faculties. Without the permission of those faculties he forms the present work and submits.
- c) **Mosaic Plagiarism:** Mosaic Plagiarism is also called as “patch writer”. As the name suggests the researcher uses other researchers and the researcher uses synonyms for the original borrowed work, keeping the same structure and meaning of the original work which the researcher borrowed. This kind of plagiarism is also a punishable crime according to the law.
- d) **Accidental Plagiarism:** In this method of plagiarism the researcher neglects to quote or cite the original work, which he used in his research work. The cause of accidental plagiarism is also viewed seriously and the consequences of plagiarism are the same as other types of plagiarism.

2. ETHICAL VIOLATION

Besant Theosophical College takes appropriate steps to prevent plagiarism at all the stages. This institution follows high standards to avoid plagiarism and these measures are taken.

- a) This institution doesn't allow any kind of plagiarism and strongly condemns the plagiarism in any form.
- b) This institution encourages the researcher and students to use appropriate software to prevent plagiarism.
- c) The research papers published by the faculty and students of this institution should not exceed 20% of plagiarized content.
- d) This institution encourages the faculty and students to participate in national and international conferences for which college provides Leave on Duty. The persons who are attending the conferences should take prior permission from the head of the institution.

- e) This institution takes every possible steps to inform the up to date guidelines for publishing papers in journals and this institution encourages to publish papers in journals preferably in UGC approved journals.
- f) The Library of this college is equipped with online journals and these journals can be used by students and researchers.

3. DISCIPLINARY ACTION

The institution is taking each and every step to prevent plagiarism at all the levels. The institution constitutes a five member committee whenever a complaint raised by the students and faculty regarding Plagiarism. To look after the complaints raised against the plagiarism from the faculty and students of the college then the committee acts accordingly against the complaint and submits a detailed report to the management within fifteen days from the day of complaint. The disciplinary action committee is composed with the following members.

- 1. Chairmen : Principal
- 2. Secretary : Coordinator of the R&D Cell
- 3. Coordinator : Respective HOD
- 4. Members : Two Subject Expert