

CODE OF ETHICS

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Introduction:

Ethics and honesty are pivotal criteria of any work in the field of teaching, research or other academic and related activities. The teaching and the research fields are inseparable, and have profound impact on many facets of the society, especially on the ever changing science and technology of the present and the future prospects. Hence, in the Government Degree College Mulugu, an utmost care and focus is propounded on research activities besides academic activities. In order to inculcate research culture and ethical considerations in research work amongst the teachers and the students, the institution has prepared a code of ethics. The Code of Ethics is essential in a world of competition for patents, trademark, copy rights and other trade related Intellectual Property Rights (IPRs). It is also a prerequisite to inculcate the research ethics among the teacher and student community which enables a creative environment and knowledge transfer that ultimately explores and expresses the knowledge.

Plagiarism is copying or stealing others expressions, ideas write-ups and present as one's own. Plagiarism is considered as dishonesty and breach of research ethics where the copied matter is not attributed to the original source or author. To avoid and prevent plagiarism in thesis, dissertations, manuscripts, and student study projects (Jignasa), etc., anti- plagiarism soft wares are being used to detect copied content in them.

Objectives:

In order to inculcate honesty and integrity in teaching learning and research among the student and teaching community, the Research Committee of the college monitors and checks the plagiarism in the manuscripts, student study projects while submitting them to the journals or higher authorities concerned.

- ✚ To create awareness on plagiarism and its consequences
- ✚ To establish a mechanism to monitor the plagiarism and its prevention
- ✚ To carry out research work and teaching based on the original works and preparations respectively

- ✚ To encourage the students and the members of faculty to do research, participate, present articles in seminars, conferences etc.
- ✚ To maintain integrity in research
- ✚ To maintain the research ethics and avoid conflict of interest
- ✚ To observe and acknowledge the findings of other authors and the references to be attributed by proper citation
- ✚ To check the plagiarism by online tools.

Mechanism:

The college has instituted a college level Research Committee to assist, monitor and observe plagiarism in theses, student study projects, manuscripts, and so on. At the institution level Research Committee includes

1. The Principal as Chairman
2. Coordinator
3. 3 Members

Process of anti-plagiarism:

- ❖ Every proposal or manuscript is accompanied by an undertaking for the research work by researcher or teacher so as to monitor the anti-plagiarism.
- ❖ The manuscripts, theses, dissertations of the projects and submission proposals of Minor Research Projects (MRP) are checked for plagiarism by available online free tools such as Plagiarism Checker, Smallseotools, iThenticate etc.
- ❖ The content such as Introduction, Review of literature, Materials and methods, Results and Discussion are checked for plagiarism content.

- ❖ The submitted soft copy is checked by uploading or pasting the matter in the freely available tools online and plagiarized matter is informed to the concerned teacher or student.
- ❖ Suggestions are given to the students and teachers.
- ❖ Below 20%- is excluded and considered for further publication and submission
- ❖ Above 20% similarity is considered as content plagiarized and should be rewritten and checked once again.

The Research Committee involves in the maintenance of high academic and production standards. The committee examines the submitted project reports, manuscript thoroughly by using the freely available online tools. While submitting the theses or manuscripts, the committee requests the concern staff member to submit the soft copy for plagiarism checking. It also advises rewriting when copied content exceeds 20%.

The following matters are considered as plagiarized content.

- Replication
- Duplication
- Paraphrasing
- Misleading reference
- Collusion

The following online tools were used to check plagiarism

1. Plagiarism Checker
2. Duplichecker
3. Smallseotools

Principal
(Smt K.Rajanilatha)