



VINAYAKA MISSION'S RESEARCH FOUNDATION

(Deemed to be University under section 3 of the UGC Act 1956)

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The Research promotion Policy is formulated to create a vibrant atmosphere of research among faculty, students and researchers in Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation, a Deemed to be University. The policy shall serve as an overall framework within which research activities may be carried out. This is a University wide Research Policy. It is implementable in all its ambit institutes in all campuses of Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation in India. The following are research objectives and functions of the Research Foundation:

- The Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation has constituted a Research Advisory Board, comprising Vice Chancellor as Chairperson, Director (Research) as convener and Eminent academicians and Researchers as members to formulate research policies, oversee and guide the research activities.
- The Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation has constituted University Research Committee with Director (Research) as Chairperson, Deputy Director (Research) as convener and HoI/Research Coordinators as members to initiate, follow up and guide the research activities in the institutes.
- Vinayaka Mission's Research Foundation has constituted University Ethics Committee (UEC) with an eminent person the chairperson and Director(Clinical Trials) as Member-Secretary to oversee the Ethical issues related to multidisciplinary research projects, clinical trials and ethical issues related to research in the constituent colleges
- In addition VMRF-DU has constituted Institutional Research Committees with HoI as Chairperson and approved Ethical Committee by CDSCO wherever applicable to follow up and guide the research activities in the institute.
- Research, being one of the major functions of this Academic institution, the University consistently motivates the faculty Members to undertake research projects, funded by UGC, DST, DBT, ICMR, CSIR, DRDO, CCRH and other funding Agencies, to promote research and to generate knowledge through innovative research to meet the industry needs.
- The University extends financial support to the faculty members for presenting papers and publishing research articles as per the university research incentive policy.
- The University awards the faculty members who publishes research papers in the indexed journals and books with incentives quarterly to motivate them to achieve more in the field of research.
- **As far as the incentives are concerned faculty mean, Full time, recognized faculty members including Assistant Professors (Research). However Assistant Professors (Research) are not included in the eligible faculty for Chancellor's Awards.**
- The University renders financial assistance to each Institution to organize National and International Conferences, inter-university seminars/workshops regularly.
- The University periodically improves the research infrastructure facilities, State-of-the art laboratories in the constituent institutions, the digital library and the Internet Connectivity to make research work more feasible.
- The University encourages the students to take up projects, provides them with ample opportunity to present papers in conferences and seminars on and off the campus, and stimulates them to publish their findings in journals.
- The University envisions to recruit Ph.D. holders as faculty for improving the quality of research.
- The University promotes interdisciplinary research, multidisciplinary research by encouraging all the Departments in the constituent institutions to take up interdisciplinary/multidisciplinary projects and conduct interdisciplinary/multidisciplinary seminars/conferences.

- The University constituted Multidisciplinary research Promotion Cells to promote Multidisciplinary research among the Constituent Colleges.
 - The University constituted Intellectual Property rights Cell for promoting the innovations in research.
 - In addition to the UG and PG laboratories, the constituent institutions are encouraged to establish Research labs and Research Centers of Excellence in the innovative areas of research.
 - To expand the relevance of research carried out in institutions, foster the commercialization of R&D outcomes, and increase the mobility of experts between public and Private Sectors. Towards this University is constantly encouraging the initiatives to establish industry linkages and networking with different institutions through collaboration and MoU's.
 - University facilitates and rewards faculty members and staff involved in research and consultancy projects as per the University Consultancy Policy.
 - The university grants awards to the faculty and the institutions for carrying out quality research, best publications and patents as per the university research incentive policy.
 - Contributions to research are given due weightage in the annual performance review of the faculty and considered for their carrier advancement.
 - Sabbatical for the faculty members for pursuing postdoctoral research.
 - University offers Seed money to the faculty to carry out research and prove their research concepts.
 - University recruits Research Associates to carry out full time research in emerging areas and areas of relevance to the ambit institutes.
 - University provides fellowship amount to its Ph.D scholars to carry out research in the areas of relevance to the institutes.
 - University provides fellowship to carryout Postdoctoral Research in the university.
 - University provides student fellowships to carryout short term UG/PG research projects.
 - University encourages incubation of research ideas through incubation centers.
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