PTVA's Institute of Management

PTVAIM Research Cell
Internal Plagiarism Policy

Preamble:

Good research activities are the ones that are pursued with ethics and integrity along with good topics and research tools. Often it is observed that students, faculty members as well as researchers knowingly or unknowingly publish or present others' work as 'their own', which may affect teaching and learning environment of the Institute as well as spoil its reputation. Itis therefore important for an academic organization like P.T.V.A's Institute of Management to have 'Internal Plagiarism Policy' to streamline institute level research activities as well as make research ethical and more transparent. The internal plagiarism policy, thus stated is based on University Grants Commission (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2017.

Definition of Plagiarism:

Plagiarism is defined as presenting another person's work as one's own work without acknowledging the source.
Plagiarism involves phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs or longer extracts from published or unpublished work (including from the Internet) that exceeds the boundaries of the legitimate cooperation without acknowledgement of the source (University of Pune) [1].

The plagiarism policy is applicable to:

According to UGC regulations, the plagiarism policy is applicable to academic and research work done by a faculty, a staff, a student and a researcher of Higher Educational Institutions (HEIs), in the form of assignments, essays, term papers, project reports, course work, thesis, dissertation leading to the award of degrees, research papers, policy papers, chapters in books, full-fledged books and any other work including computer programmes.

Steps to be taken to prohibit plagiarism in research

1) Guidelines to be made for faculty members, students and researchers regarding Do's and Don'ts where research is concerned.
2) Orientation sessions to be conducted for teaching staff and students regarding plagiarism policy.
3) Policy related flash cards to be designed and displayed at all places where research related activities are undertaken.

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4) To make 'Academic Misconduct Panel' (AMC) constituting of Director, Dean Academics, , Head of research cell, Chief librarian, one faculty member and two student representatives from research cell, one faculty member of IQAC and Part time coordinator. The panel is expected to address all issue related to plagiarism in research.

Guidelines to be followed by faculty members, students and researchers while developing academic as well as research related material.

1) Assignments and project PPTs of students need to contain bibliography of all references and citations.
2) Students submitting SIP and WIP projects need to sign an undertaking stating the project work is the original work and not copied. At the same it is suggested that the projects need to have exhaustive bibliography.
3) Every research work accepted by PTVAIM either for PRISM SQUARE or as contribution to PTVAIM organized seminars and conferences, will go through 'Urkund' software and work with similarity report of less than 20% will only be accepted at PTVAIM.

Role of Academic Misconduct Panel

1) Academic Misconduct Panel can conduct random checks of academic material created by students and faculty members to ensure that no plagiarism related activities are taking place.
2) In case plagiarism is detected, appropriate action can be taken against the misconduct. The action taken can be charging of penalty, giving warning as well as rejection of the material created by the concerned person.

Academic Misconduct Panel

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