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# **IMPORTANT NOTICE**

To,

- 1. All Conveners of the Departments
- 2. Chief Proctor
- 3. In-Charge, Examination Cell
- 4. OS, Principal's Office for kind information of the Principal

Subject: Regarding the policy on plagiarism approved by UOA

### Sir,

This is to inform that the Academic Council of UOA in its meeting held on 09/04/2019 has resolved the **Policy on Plagiarism** based on University Grants commission (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Education Institutions) Regulation, 2018.

Plagiarism means unethical copying of concepts, ideas, words, etc. without giving credit to the original author and presenting somebody else's work for personal benefit. Plagiarism in academic research is a serious offense which degrades the research performance of individuals or institutions. It should not be practiced in higher education institutions like University of Allahabad. With this objective, the policy is resolved which important excerpts reads as:

Curbing Plagiarism

a) University of Allahabad shall declare and implement the technology based mechanism using appropriate software so as to ensure that documents such as thesis, dissertation, publications or any other such documents are free of plagiarism at the time of their submission.

b) The mechanism as defined at (a) above shall be made accessible to all engaged in research work including student, faculty, researcher and staff etc.

c) Every student submitting a thesis, dissertation, or any other such documents to the University of Allahabad shall submit an undertaking indicating that the document has been prepared by him or her and that the document is his/her original work and free of any plagiarism.

d) The undertaking shall include the fact that the document has been duly checked through a Plagiarism detection tool approved by the University of Allahabad.

e) University of Allahabad shall develop a policy on plagiarism and get it approved by its relevant statutory bodies/authorities. The approved policy shall be placed on the homepage of the University of Allahabad website.

f) Each supervisor shall submit a certificate indicating that the work done by the researcher under him/her is plagiarism free.

*y)* University of Allahabad shall submit to INFLIBNET soft copies of all Masters, Research program's dissertations and thesis within a month after the award of degrees for hosting in the digital repository under the "Shadh Ganga e-repository".

h) University of Allahabad shall create institutional Repository on university website which shall include dissertation / thesis / paper / publication and other in-house publications.

### Depurtmental Academic Integrity Panel (DAIP)

I. All Departments in University of Allahabad shall notify a DAIP whose composition shall be as given below:

u. Chairman - Head of the Department

b. Member - Senior academician from outside the department, to be nominated by the Dean of the Faculty in which the department is.

c. Member - A person well versed with anti plagiarism tools, to be nominated by the Head of the Department.

The tenure of the members in respect of points 'b' and 'c' shall be two years. The quorum for the meetings shall be 2 out of 3 members (including Chairman).

*ii. The DAIP shall follow the principles of natural justice while deciding about the allegation of plagiarism against the student, faculty, researcher and staff.* 

iii. The DAIP shall have the power to assess the level of plagiarism and recommend penalty(ies) accordingly.

*Iv.* The DAIP after investigation shall submit its report with the recommendation on penalties to be imposed to the IAIP within a period of 45 days from the date of receipt of complaint / initiation of the proceedings.

### Levels of Plagiarism

Plagiarism would be quantified into following levels in ascending order of severity for the purpose of its definition:

i. Level 0: Similarities up to 10%

ii. Level 1: Similarities above 10% to 40%

iii. Level 2: Similarities above 40% to 60%

iv. Level 3: Similarities above 60%

### Penalties

Penalties in the cases of plagiarism shall be imposed on students pursuing studies at the level of Masters and Research programs and on researcher, faculty & staff of the University of Allahabad only after academic misconduct on the part of the individual has been established without doubt, when all avenues of appeal have been exhausted and individual in question has been provided enough opportunity to defend himself or herself in a fair or transparent manner.

### Penalties in case of plagiarism in submission of thesis and dissertations

Institutional Academic Integrity Panel (IAIP) shall impose penalty considering the severity of the Plagiarism.

i. Level 0: Similarities upto 10% - Minor Similarities, no penalty.

**ii. Level 1: Similarities above 10% to 40%** - Such student shall be asked to submit a revised script within a stipulated time period not exceeding 6 months.

iii. Level 2: Similarities above 40% to 60% - Such student shall be debarred from submitting a revised script for a period of one year.

iv. Level 3: Similarities above 60% - Such student registration for that programme shall be cancelled.

**Note 1: Penalty on repeated plagiarism**- Such student shall be punished for the plagiarism of one level higher than the previous level committed by him/her. In case where plagiarism of highest level is committed then the punishment for the same shall be operative.

**Note 2: Penalty in case where the degree/credit has already been obtained** - If plagiarism is proved on a date later than the date of award of degree or credit as the case may be then his/her degree or credit shall be put in abeyance for a period recommended by the IAIP and approved by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of the University of Allahabad.

### Penalties in case of plagiarism in academic and research publications

I. Level 0: Similarities up to 10% - Minor similarities, no penalty.

#### II. Level 1: Similarities above 10% to 40%

i) Shall be asked to withdraw manuscript.

### III. Level 2: Similarities above 40% to 60%

i) Shall be asked to withdraw manuscript.

ii) Shall be denied a right to one annual increment.

iii) Shall not be allowed to be a supervisor to any new Master's, M.Phil., Ph.D. Student/scholar for a period of two years.

### IV. Level 3: Similarities above 60%

i) Shall be asked to withdraw manuscript.

ii) Shall be denied a right to two successive annual increments.

iii) Shall not be allowed to be a supervisor to any new Master's, M.Phil., Ph.D. Student/scholar for a period of three years.

**Note 1: Penalty on repeated plagiarism** - Shall be asked to withdraw manuscript and shall be punished for the plagiarism of one level higher than the lower level committed by him/her. In case where plagiarism of highest level is committed then the punishment for the same shall be operative. In case level 3 offence is repeated then the disciplinary action including suspension/termination as per service rules shall be taken by the University of Allahabad.

**Note 2: Penalty in case where the benefit or credit has already been obtained** - If plagiarism is proved on a date later than the date of benefit or credit obtained as the case may be then his/her benefit or credit shall be put in abeyance for a period recommended by IAIP and approved by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of the University of Allahabad.

**Note 3:** University of Allahabad shall create a mechanism so as to ensure that each of the paper publication/thesis/dissertation by the student, faculty, researcher or staff of the University of Allahabad is checked for plagiarism at the time of forwarding/submission.

**Note 4:** If there is any complaint of plagiarism against the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor of the University of Allahabad, a suitable action, in line with these regulations, shall be taken by the Controlling Authority of the University of Allahabad.

**Note 5:** If there is any complaint of plagiarism against the Head of Department/Authorities at the institutional level, a suitable action, in line with these regulations, shall be recommended by the IAIP and approved by the Competent Authority.

**Note 6:** If there is any complaint of plagiarism against any member of DAIP or IAIP, then such member shall excuse himself/herself from the meeting(s) where his/her case is being discussed/investigated. "

Thus, it is requested to make provisions to circulate this notice to all the concerned faculties, students, and researchers for awareness about the plagiarism and the policy resolved by UoA for maintenance of academic integrity as well as for taking necessary action further in this regard. The copy of the *Policy on Plagiarism* is being kept in the library for further reference.

Thanking You.

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