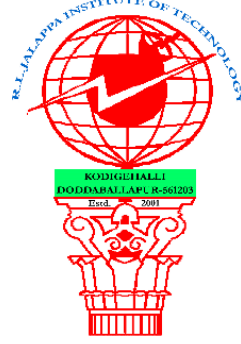# Plagiarism Policy

(Revised Version of Plagiarism Policy-2018)

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Recommendations of the Institution Council for the revision of approval Plagiarism Policy

History of changes in Plagiarism Policy

Sl. No.	Newly Added/Revised	Plagiarism Policy 2018	Plagiarism Policy 2023
1	Departmental Variations	Not Included	● Clarified the process by which each department determines the acceptable level of similarity and also ensured that this process is standardized and transparent across all departments.
2	Student and Supervisor Responsibilities	Not Included	● Clearly outlined the responsibilities of students and supervisors in the plagiarism detection process. This includes the submission of an undertaking by students and a certificate by supervisors.

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Preamble

In accordance with the UGC Notification on University Grants Commission (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018, the plagiarism policy of the institute has been formulated with a view to ensure that the institute ensures zero- tolerance for plagiarism in the research work carried out by its faculty or the students.

What is Plagiarism?

'Plagiarism' is the unacknowledged use of another person's work as one's own work. Plagiarism involves copying of phrases, clauses, sentences, paragraphs, or longer extracts from published or unpublished work including from internet without acknowledgement of the source.

Self-Plagiarism Copying / reproducing, in part or whole one's own published work without giving proper reference of that work.

Checking Project Thesis Report and Research Papers

Be sure to edit the research paper carefully and check for plagiarism before turning it in to the final one. Using plagiarism software services such as **Turnitin** is a great way to assess your paraphrasing and other anti-plagiarism skills. Most educators and educational institutions are using plagiarism checker software to check faculty or students' papers.

The proper attribution, seeking permission of the author wherever necessary, acknowledgement of source compatible with the needs and specificities of disciplines and in accordance with rules and regulations governing the source is essentially required.

The institute adopts understated policies in order to detect and refine the work through in each department:

1. Each and every research work or student project work report shall go through from the institute plagiarism detection cell which will be done through plagiarism check.

2. Any thesis, dissertation, or any other such documents submitted by the students, scholars or faculty members to the Research and Development Centre and submit an undertaking indicating that the document has been prepared by him or her and the document is his/her original work and free of any plagiarism.

3. The undertaking shall include declaration that, the work is free from the plagiarism and has been checked by the approved plagiarism detection software.

4. Each supervisor to the students shall submit a certificate with the work of the students that the work is free from plagiarism.

Similarity Checks for Exclusion from Plagiarism

The similarity checks for plagiarism shall exclude the following:

1 All quoted work reproduced with all necessary permission and / or attribution.

2 All references, bibliography, table of content, preface and acknowledgements.

3 All generic terms, laws, standard symbols and standards equations.

Note: The research work carried out by the student, faculty, researcher and staff shall be based on original ideas, which shall include abstract, summary, hypothesis, observations, results, conclusions and recommendations only, and shall not have any similarities.

To uphold academic integrity and curb plagiarism in research, the institute procured one of the best plagiarism detection tools,

The following are the policy decisions made:

- All the UG coordinators are added as instructors and they are provided with an account in TURNITIN with username and password. Training will be given for all the instructors on how to use TURNITIN Tool by the TURNITIN administrator.

- The entire UG thesis should be tested by the respective Head of the departments before the students submit hard copy of their thesis to the Research and Development Centre.

- Any violations in this regard should be taken to the knowledge of the Principal for necessary disciplinary action. The Principal will look into all the issues of plagiarism and recommend suitable action to be initiated against the defaulter.

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