



IIMT UNIVERSITY, MEERUT

INSTITUTIONAL ACADEMIC INTEGRITY PANEL

ANTI-PLAGIARISM POLICY

(for scholar (PG and research) and faculty including paper and book publications and submission of thesis and dissertations)

The research work carried out by the scholar/faculty, shall be based on original ideas and free from plagiarism of either results or literature.

The following key policies on plagiarism as defined by UGC, should be abided strictly by all.

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

- **Level 0:** Similarities upto 10% - Minor similarities, no penalty
- **Level 1:** Similarities between 10% to 40% such scholars shall be asked to submit a revised script within a stipulated time period not exceeding 6 months.
- **Level 2:** Similarities between 40% to 60% such scholars shall be debarred from submitting a revised script for a period of one year.
- **Level 3:** Similarities above 60%, scholar's registration for that programme shall be cancelled.

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 IIMTU.

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 Head of the Institution.

Note 3: IIMTU 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 IIMTU is checked for plagiarism at the time of forwarding/submission.

Note 4: If there is any complaint of plagiarism, a suitable action, in line with these regulations, shall be taken by the Controlling Authority.

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.

(REFERENCE: UNIVERSITY GRANTS COMMISSION (PROMOTION OF ACADEMIC INTEGRITY AND PREVENTION OF PLAGIARISM IN HIGHER EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS) REGULATIONS, 2018)

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