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Plagiarism policy of Bajaj College of Science

1. Preamble:

Bajaj College of Science (hereafter BCS) (Formerly known as Jankidevi Bajaj College of Science) takes pride in the academic integrity of the teaching staff and student. BCS being top ranking college in Vidarbha is driven by the pursuit of excellence in teaching. BCS seeks to produce highly quality graduates equipped with research, social, and technical skills based on values adopted by our host institute Shiksha Mandal, adopts this plagiarism policy.

BCS considers plagiarism in the form of knowingly or unknowingly publish or present other's work as their own to be a serious academic offence. Depending upon intentional or unintentional plagiarism and the severity of case, offenders may be punished. Punishment or such academic dishonesty extend to failing their degree, temporary suspension or expulsion from further study at BCS.

All work in the form of research reports, research papers and other publication submitted by students is accepted on the understanding that it is the student's own effort and their writing.

2. Objectives of plagiarism policy:

The sole purpose of this policy is to ensure that the BCS's academic integrity is protected and maintained by establishing a framework for deterring, detecting and dealing with plagiarism across all faculties of the College. The objectives shall (a) ensure students and staff awareness of the need to avoid plagiarism and (b) provide for effective administration processes across all faculties and Departments to deal with plagiarism cases.

3. Scope:

The plagiarism policy applies to all the employee of the college. The main emphasis of the policy is detecting, deterring and dealing with plagiarism on student's reports, presentations, dissertation and projects as well as faculties' scholarly research and teaching work.

4. Plagiarism Policy Details:

4.1. Definition of Plagiarism

Plagiarism is the unacknowledged use of material, an idea or ideas, which are not originally one's own.

4.2. BCS shall consider plagiarism to the following situations:

4.2.1. Direct copying without crediting the source,

- 4.2.2. Translating without crediting the source,
- **4.2.3.** Paraphrasing someone else's work without crediting the source,

- **4.2.4.** Copying the work of other persons with or without their knowledge and presenting it as your own,
- **4.2.5.** Resubmitting one's own or other's previously graded work.

4.3. Obligations of students

Students should:

- 4.3.1. Take responsibility for their academic work,
- 4.3.2. Sign a declaration that they have read and shall abide by the Plagiarism Policy,
- **4.3.3.** Familiarize themselves with and make use of citation methods in accordance with the appropriate conventions in their discipline,

4.4. Obligations of Staff

Staff should:

- 4.4.1. Take responsibility for their academic work,
- **4.4.2.** Sign a declaration that they have read and shall abide by the Plagiarism Policy,
- **4.4.3.** Familiarize themselves with and make use of citation methods in accordance with the appropriate conventions in their discipline.
- 4.4.4. Not mislead BCS and/or publishers by submitting or using another person's work as theirs,
- **4.4.5.** Clearly state that students are expected to do their own work and submit it in the prescribed manner, discuss plagiarism with students, its meaning and what is acceptable, as well as the rules with regard to quotations and references,
- **4.4.6.** Check for plagiarism on students' work, research papers and teaching material.

5. Plagiarism Prevention Mechanisms

In dealing with Plagiarism, BCS's initial emphasis is on teaching students to learn with integrity rather than detecting plagiarism and dealing with offenders. To this end, the following mechanisms exist:

5.1. Research Methodology Courses

Through these courses, students are introduced to the research process, the planning accompanying research as well as methods and techniques for logical synthesis of such information and ideas into a scholarly paper or report.

5.2. Declaration of Originality

Each assignment or research component submitted by a student should be accompanied by a declaration that the work is his/hers.

5.3. Plagiarism detection software

BCS shall make use of electronic plagiarism detection software/tool which is integrated into the College's Moodle E-learning Platform. It allows students to submit their assignments and projects, checks the work for plagiarism, and sends an originality report to the lecturer/supervisor and student.

Originality reports generated by the plagiarism detection software are simply a tool to help lecturers and supervisors find sources that contain text similar to submitted work. The decision to deem any work plagiarized must be made carefully, and only after in-depth examination of both the submitted paper and suspect sources.

5.4. Plagiarism Register

BCS shall maintain a Plagiarism Register for effective monitoring of offenders and ensuring consistent application of penalties. All cases of proven plagiarism shall be logged on the Plagiarism Register.

1. Note:

Bajaj College of Science, Wardha has URKUND antiplagiarism account from November, 2020 which has been utilized for publication check. Apart from our facility, Department of Library Science, Rashtrasant Tukadoji Maharaj Nagpur University (RTMNU) has facility to open URKUND anti-plagiarism (personal account) account for the teaching community of those college which are affiliated with RTMNU.

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