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NotificationFellowship / Scholarship Policy for Ph.D./Research Scholars

Under the Provision of University Grant Commission (UGC) minimum standards and procedures for award of Ph.D. Degree Regulation 2022 and UGC Guidelines on public self-disclosure by higher Education Institutions 2024. The Vice Chancellor has constituted Fellowship / Scholarship Policy for Ph.D./ Research Scholars

**1. Objective**

The Fellowship/Scholarship Policy aims to provide financial support to Ph.D. Research scholars to promote high-quality research, ensure academic continuity, and encourage innovative contributions to knowledge.

**2. Eligibility Criteria**

- The applicant must be enrolled as a full-time Ph.D. scholar in the University/Institute.
- Admission must be through the prescribed selection process (entrance examination, interview, or as per UGC/AICTE/INC/PCI/NMC/BCI/Paramedical Council/ Concerned council/Institutional guidelines etc.
- Scholars receiving any other fellowship (e.g., UGC-JRF, CSIR, ICSSR, ICMR, DBT, DST, or equivalent) are not eligible for this institutional fellowship.

**3. Duration of Fellowship**

- Fellowship is awarded for a maximum of **three years**, extendable to a **fourth year** subject to satisfactory progress and recommendation of the Research Advisory Committee.
- No fellowship shall be granted beyond four years.

**4. Fellowship Amount**

- Annual relaxation of 20 % of total fees of first year for Meritorious / Economically weaker students.
- 50 % of Patent publication fees sponsored by the university.
- Scholars availing hostel accommodation will be entitled to **waiver/ concession in hostel fee** as per institutional rules.

**5. Renewal and Continuation**

- Fellowship is renewed annually based on the scholar's performance in **Progress Seminars, RDC/DRC reviews**, and submission of progress reports.
- Unsatisfactory progress or violation of research integrity may lead to **suspension or termination** of fellowship.

**6. Research Integrity and Compliance**

- Scholars must strictly adhere to institutional **Research Ethics Guidelines** and submit work to **Plagiarism Check** before thesis submission.
- Any act of misconduct, plagiarism, or academic dishonesty will lead to **immediate termination** of fellowship.

**7. Leave Rules**

- Scholars may avail **30 days of leave per academic year** with fellowship.
- Leave beyond the permissible limit will result in deduction of fellowship for that duration.
- Maternity/Paternity leave will be granted as per UGC/GoI guidelines.


**8. Termination of Fellowship**

The fellowship may be terminated in the following cases:

- Non-compliance with rules or unsatisfactory academic progress.
- Completion of Ph.D. or submission of thesis.
- Scholar leaving the program midway without approval.
- Misconduct, breach of research ethics, or providing false information.

**9. Monitoring and Administration**

- The fellowship will be administered by the **Dean (Research) / Research Cell / Fellowship Committee** of the Institution.
- All decisions regarding award, renewal, or termination shall be final and binding.

  
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