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Minutes of the IQAC 2nd Meeting held on 16.12.2020 at Shashi Campus,
Juthi Tali on "Implementation of UGC Guidance Document :
Good Academic Research Practices (GARP)- Sep. 2020.
(www.ugc.ac.in/ebook/garp)"

In pursuance of IQAC meeting notice no. even dated 26.11.2020 revised by rescheduling notice dated 08.12.2020, the subject meeting was held on 16.12.2020 afternoon at Shashi Campus, Juthi Tali in which members of the IQAC and Doctorate Degree holders (Ph.D. holders) faculty members attended the same. The attendance list is enclosed as Ann.-1. Hon'ble Vice Chancellor also attended the meeting.

With permission of Hon'ble PVC Sir as Chairman (IQAC), Prof. R. C. Tripathi, Dir. (IQAC), Member Convener (IQAC) made a Power Point presentation (Ann.-3) of the 56 pages UGC Guidance Document titled "Good Academics Research Practices" - September 2020. The following was noted :

1. The Good Practice of organising PSP of a candidate, draft thesis based on satisfactory report by way of "PSP Check List (Ann.-4) will continue to ensure standard format/get up of a candidate's draft thesis including checking of for being free of Plagiarism. Inclusion of the two (2) credit course on "Research Publication Ethics" (Anne.-5) w.e.f. year 2019 in 6 months course work of newly admitted Ph.D. Scholars was also appreciated.

2. As per UGC Guidance Document - GARP, a thesis may also be infected with (i) Fabrication, (ii) Falsification (iii) Misrepresentation (iv) Misconduct with subjects from whom data is collected, (v) The colloque researchers, (vi) The targeted audience having stake in the research findings, (vii) Environment etc. It is also advised in GARP that researchers should keep away from predatory Journals both to use their research paper and also to publish their own research findings in such Journals. These are not addressed in PSP Check List.

3. Here (i) Fabrication means cooking up fake data or results and (ii) Falsification means manipulating research materials, equipments, processes, changing or omitting real data or results such that research is not accurately represented in the research record. Again (iii) misrepresentation of data and findings may be in the form of image tampering, relabelling axes, distorting a visual representation of data or using the same image to suggest that it represents results from multiple experiments, since all these have become very easy using modern computer softwares like Photoshop, Paint, MX Viewer etc.

4. IQAC members and all Ph.D. Supervisor faculty members agreed that above evils need to be detected right, whenever and wherever they creep in during conducting of the research. Therefore, these need a regular check up by a research governing body to detect them timely and instruct the researcher how to avoid above research misconducts and complete Ph.D. work honestly and in transparent way.

5. To enforce the UGC Directive to set up Office of Research Integrity (ORI) in our University, the section 5 of the presentation by Dir. (IQAC) (Anne.-3) to establish Office of Research Integrity (ORI) at NGB (DU) was discussed threadbare.

6. It was decided that in supervision of our patron Honb'le Vice Chancellor, every year in its first quarter (Jan. - Mar.) Departmental Research Committee meeting will be held in Research Centre jointly with meeting of Annual Research Integrity Assessment Council (ARIAC). This council (floating in nature) will comprise of Supervisor, HOD, Dean, Conjugate Dean, Dir. (Research Centre), Dir. (IQAC) plus two Research Experts from outside of same subject invited from other Universities. Joint meetings of DRC and ARIAC will be organised by each HOD in Research Centre in which every Ph.D. scholar on the current rolls of the department will submit duly filled in ARIAC-Check List Report (Ann.-2) on which ARIAC Brain Storming Session will finally fill up the final recommendation part of ARIAC Check List report. These will be communicated right on the spot to the candidate and enclosed as the ARIAC Check List report in his / her personal file. Any promotion of a Ph.D. scholar from the level of JRF to SRF and then recommendation for binding the thesis for PSP will be based on minimum two such "Satisfactory ARIAC Reports". The Ph.D. Scholar Check List maintained by Dir. (Research Centre) will be amended to include ARIAC Report referred as above.

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Annexure:

1. Attendance Sheet of IQAC members and NGB (DU) Ph.D. Supervisors who were present in the IQAC 2nd meeting on 16.12.2020.
2. Annual Research Integrity Assessment Council (ARIAC) Check List to be submitted by each Ph.D. scholar in special DRC & ARIAC joint meeting every year during 1st quarter of the Calendar year.
3. Power Point Presentation of Dir. (IQAC) - the member convener of IQAC.
4. PSP Check List already implemented w.e.f. 10.10.2019 for clearance of draft Ph.D. thesis from angles of "Overall Get-Up" and free from Plagiarism.
5. Syllabus of 2 credit Ph.D. course work being conducted at NGB (DU) w.e.f. 2019-20.