CODE OF ETHICS TO CHECK PLAGIARISM

Objectives of Plagiarism

a. To create academic awareness about responsible manner of research, study, project, assignment, thesis, dissertation, promotion of academic integrity - and stoppage of misconduct including plagiarism in academic writing among students, researchers, faculty and other members of academic staff as well as any employee of the institute.

b. To inaugurate institutional mechanism through education and training to facilitate responsible manner of research, study, project work, assignment, thesis, dissertation, promotion of academic integrity and deterrence from plagiarism.

c. To advance systems to detect plagiarism and to set up mechanisms to prevent plagiarism and punish a faculty or staff obligating the act of plagiarism.

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

Identification of Plagiarism

Initially the faculty of KBN College check plagiarism of their research papers with the available software named as Plagiarism Checker X. Finally the plagiarism software of K.L. Deemed University, Vijayawada is used.

Similarities up to10% -excluded

Level 1: Similarities above 10 to 40%

Level 2: Similarities above 40 to 60 %

Level 3: Similarities above 60%

Counselling:

As the detection of plagiarism and steps to prevent it are important, it is necessary to educate researchers about the dangers of plagiarism. Institution needs to take steps to strengthen the morals of researchers so that they do not take support of the unfair – means.

Guidelines for Action

The Institution has Research Advisory committee of about 6 experts from Acharya Nagarjuna University and Krishna University who will establish whether there is a plagiarism or not, if it is then what is the level. This committee will have the Principal as an ex-officio member. This committee will submit its report to the Principal and Secretary& Correspondent for a final decision in this regard. The committee of experts will use "Plagiarism Checker X" to check plagiarism, and also nearby plagiarism check centres available in Vijayawada.

Depending on the severity of crime the punishment could be:

- Fine or warning.
- Rustication for limited period or permanent
- Withdrawal of degree

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Plagiarism is a Cognizable Offence

The core work carried out by the student, faculty, staff and researcher shall be based on original ideas and shall be covered by Zero Tolerance Policy on Plagiarism.

The core work shall include abstract, summary, hypothesis, observations, results, conclusions and recommendations.

Every submission related with research will be accompanied by an undertaking by the researcher indicating that the document is his/ her original work and free of any plagiarism and contain a bibliographic reference of the copied part.

Follow Good Research Practices.