## Veer Bahadur Singh Purvanchal University, Jaunpur Research Promotion Policy

V B S Purvanchal University (VBSPU) is committed to establish itself as a leading research institution by promoting research in University campus and create conducive environment for its faculty and students to conduct the directed research in the University. To accelerate the growth, it is decided to reward its most productive researchers with handsome incentives, to increase the research outcome, the number of publications and patents as well as expand its research infrastructure.

The V B S Purvanchal University, Research and Development policy has been modified with the following objectives.

- To create, strengthen and maintain state-of- the-art research infrastructure in the V B S Purvanchal University campus to facilitate cutting-edge research activity.
- To facilitate inter and multi- disciplinary research
- To recognize both faculty and students on their research output by a research award
- To set up incubation facilities to promote innovation, entrepreneurship and encourage startups.
- To integrate research activities with the thrust areas of research of the university which are drawn keeping in view the local, regional and national needs, present and future, and also sustainable development goals (SDGs).
- To translate new knowledge, technology, innovations emerging out of the research at University into products, processes and services for benefit of the society.
- Protection of Intellectual Property Right (IPR) arising out of the research conducted by the university fraternity.
- To create quality human resources for scientific research

#### Custodian of the Policy:

The implementation and updating of Research Policy shall be carried out by a **Research Advisory Board**, constituted by Honourable Vice Chancellor. Research Advisory Board will advise and supervise research related matters of the university.

# Research and Development Support Schemes for promotion of research environment in the campus/University:

#### (a) Research Award

V B S Purvanchal University recognizes the research carried out by its faculty members by granting "**Best Research Awards**" (Three awards/year) for publishing papers, contribution to hindex of the university, through funded projects, and patents. Under this scheme, scholars will get a certificate of appreciation (CoA). The screening for best research award will be made by



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Research Advisory Committee on the basis of number of papers published and highest SCI impact factor score etc.

# (b) Financial Support for Journal Publications :

Partial financial support is given to faculty members who like to publish their work in Open Access and peer reviewed journals with impact factor (SCI journals).

- Financial support for the open access fee is open to all the faculty members of V B S Purvanchal University guiding full-time research scholars.
- Only quality open access journals with impact factor will be considered. Journals with no impact factor will not be considered.
- The decision to support open access journal fee will be decided by Research Advisory Committee.
- Once the paper is accepted, the faculty shall submit the application along with copy of the research paper and invoice to the Research Advisory Committee for the financial support.
- Once the article is published, the copy of the published article and payment receipt should be submitted to the office of Research Advisory Committee, AR- academics and Finance section.

## (c) Post-Doctoral Fellowship (PDF)

Post-Doctoral Fellowship (PDF) is initiated to enhance the research and innovation ecosystem of University by attracting young talented scientists with a diverse background to work on challenging and frontier areas. It provides a platform for the development of future science and technology leaders.

- The duration of the fellowship will be initially for a period of 1 year, extended for 2nd and 3rd year on satisfactory performance of the PDF scholar in the half-yearly review meeting.
- There is no provision for providing manpower support under this scheme. The PDF • scholar is expected to undertake the research objectives by himself/herself during the entire duration of the fellowship. The PDF scholar will be reporting to the mentor/Head of the department. The PDF scholars are not eligible to receive any other fellowship from any Government or Non-Governmental source during the tenure of the fellowship.
- If any PDF scholar wishes to terminate the fellowship, he/she shall inform the mentor and • Head of department giving one month notice. If the candidate wants to quit before 6 months, he/she should repay 50% of stipend received till that date. University reserves the right to terminate the Fellowship at any stage if it is convinced that appropriate progress is not being made or the grant has not been utilized properly.

### (d) Financial Support for Research Paper Presentation in National and International **Conferences**/ Seminars

Faculty members are eligible to get financial assistance up to Rs. 20,000/- per annum for attending National conference/seminar organized in India. For international conferences organized out of India, faculty members are eligible to get financial assistance up to Rs.1,00,000/- per annum. Financial Support Claim can be made once in two years by a faculty

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member. The selection of the faculty for financial support for paper presentation will be made by Research Advisory Committee.

A faculty member can seek reimbursement only if he/she is a presenter/first author, provided no other agency had given financial help for the same. A faculty is not eligible for reimbursement, for just chairing a session or attending the conference.

## (e) Translation of research articles published in reputed journal

Research articles published in reputed journals by the faculty members should be translated in Hindi and University should allocate grants for the translation of research article translation.

## (f)Minor Research Project (MRP) for Faculty Members

To promote the research environment in the University campus, the V B S Purvanchal University will provide financial assistance as Minor Research Project to teachers. This scheme will provide research support to faculty members of the University to undertake research and encourage Research Culture among teachers so as to equip them to take up challenging research activities in future career

- The maximum research grant for one project will amount up to INR 3,00,000 (Rs three lakh only).
- Project proposal should be forwarded by the Head of Department of the concerned department.
- An applicant is eligible to apply only one proposal during a call.
- Project is not transferable in any case.
- The Project period is one year from the date of sanction. If the proposed project would not be completed, an extension for completion of research project, without financial assistance may be given to Investigator on written request subject to a maximum of one year.
- No request for additional grant in excess of the sanctioned budget will be considered.
- Project is expected to be conducted by the faculty member himself or herself. Hence no manpower would be supported in the Grant.
- All research projects submitted to be properly scrutinized by a screening committee before funds are released. After finalisation of the selection procedure of the Research projects the names of the selected Investigators will be uploaded on the University website.
- Proposals submitted must be original in idea and content. Plagiarism in any form will not be acceptable and proposals are liable to be rejected if found plagiarized. The principal investigator will be solely responsible for the issues related to copyright and/or plagiarism of the information used in the research project.
- The Investigator has to commence the project within one month from the date of award letter
- Any proposal rejected should not be resubmitted without any substantial revision.
- A midterm evaluation of the sanctioned project will be done by the Committee, constituted by Honorable Vice Chancellor and the Investigator will have to submit and present the midterm progress reports before the committee.



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- It is expected that the grantee shall submit the midterm report (after six months), final progress report (report of the research done), and utilization certificate to the IQAC through Dean/Head of Department. The Investigators are expected to settle the accounts immediately on completion of the project.
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- The unutilized grant if any, may be refunded immediately through demand draft drawn in favour of the Finance Officer, VBS Purvanchal University, Jaunpur.
- If any Investigator fails to complete the project, he/she has to refund the entire amount released through demand draft drawn in favour of the Finance Officer, VBS Purvanchal University, Jaunpur.
- If the University is not satisfied with the periodical progress of the research project or if it finds that rules are being violated, it reserves the right to terminate its grant for the project and ask for a refund of the amount sanctioned.
- It is mandatory to post the Executive summary of the report, research papers published under Minor Research Project on the website of the University.
- The Investigator shall acknowledge the contribution of University in the research publication of the project.
- University will not be responsible for the fact, opinion, views and findings stated in the project reports.
- Preference would be given to the faculties, who have not any running project.
- A faculty member, who once received a project grant, will be eligible to apply again after a gap of two years from the date of completion of earlier project.
- Compilation of reports of all completed projects reports in the form of a volume for each year should be done by the University.

The University should frequently update its research facilities for smooth functioning of the research projects.

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