Code of Ethics to check malpractices and control plagiarism in Research Work

In order to ensure the originality of the content and the quality of research work, the competent authority of the college has framed a Code of Ethics to check plagiarism and similar other malpractices in research work. The guidelines constituting the Code of Ethics have been framed for the same and a copy is attached to this notice/declaration.

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Code of Ethics

- 1. This institution sincerely promotes and upholds the value of honesty, integrity and originality in the area of academic research work, thus creating a culture of authentic work product, transparency and accountability in all its institutional activities.
- This institution strictly prohibits all or any form of plagiarism in academic research work/dissertation/academic research projects which is submitted to this institution by students/researchers/authors etc as this ensures the protection of academic honor and integrity.
- 3. This institution is adopting the method of checking and scrutinizing every research and article paper submitted to this institution from any possible acts of plagiarism. For that very purpose the Institutional Research Committee (IRC) is being formed which shall comprise of five members.
- 4. The IRC will be responsible for checking every research work for any plagiarized content to maintain high academic and literary standard.
- 5. The permissible limit of plagiarized content will be decided by the Institutional Research Committee (IRC) as per the plagiarism report.
- 6. Any violation of the rule framed or any other issue raised before the Institutional Research Committee (IRC) will be heard and the matter will be disposed off within 3 months from the date of the complaint.
- 7. Any violation of the above rules may result in disciplinary actions being taken.

Definition of Plagiarism

Plagiarism means stealing ideas and words of another person and passing it off as your own, without acknowledging the actual author or giving any credit to the source. Plagiarism involves copying phrases, sentences, words, clauses or longer extracts from published or unpublished work that exceeds the boundaries of the legitimate cooperation without acknowledgement of the source.

Types of Plagiarism

- 1. Negligent or Unintentional Plagiarism it means innocently or unintentionally or carelessly presenting another person's work as one's own, without acknowledging the source.
- 2. Dishonest or Intentional Plagiarism it means knowingly or intentionally or deliberately presenting another person's work as one's own without acknowledging the source.

Institutional Research Committee (IRC)

Haldia Law College has its own Institutional Research Committee (IRC) to deal with research related activities in the institution. IRC is also responsible for scrutinizing every research paper or dissertation work, submitted to this institution, for any kind of plagiarism in any form. It is upon the IRC to take the necessary actions to conclusively determine and punish the individual found involved in plagiarism. IRC also handles problems regarding alleged plagiarism cases within the institution.

This committee is comprised of 6 members, namely:

- 1. Dr. P.K.Sahoo
- 2. Dr. Arvind Chakraborty
- 3. Dr. Sujit Kar
- 4. Mr. Pratim Sarkar
- 5. Mr. Biswaranjan Acharyya
- 6. Md. Hasanur Zaman Siddique

Procedure for handling alleged plagiarism

- 1. Depending on the anti plagiarism report submitted by each guide, the IRC will establish whether there is plagiarism or not and if it then what is the level.
- Institutional Research Committee (IRC) of HLC report to student and guide regarding alleged plagiarism. IRC informs all allegations in details and give them sufficient time to respond or explain.
- 3. Counseling of the student and researcher is carried out to make them aware about plagiarism and its seriousness.
- 4. Revision and resubmission after proper rectification is recommended by IRC for final printing.
- 5. In severe cases of alleged plagiarism the IRC will take decision and impose penalty also or give proper punishment.

Copy to:

- 1. Principal
- 2. Committee on Ethics in Research Work (In-charge)
- 3. Vice Chairman Dr. P.K.Sahoo
- 4. Secretary of HLC
- 5. Administrative Officer (Office) Principal
- 6. Notice Boards, HLC Haldia Law College