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## ANTI-PLAGIARISM POLICY OF THE INSTITUTE

(as per SPPU guidelines)

Plagiarism is one of the very multifaceted and serious problems faced by the students, researchers from all around the world. Sincerity and ethics are the two most important components of teaching or research. Students/researchers knowingly or unknowingly publish or present other's work as their own, forming very unhealthy academic atmosphere. There cannot be any space for claiming the credit for the work he/she has not undertaken. Plagiarism can be said to be as a conduct of using data, thoughts, ideas or any intellectual property of any other person without the owner's acknowledgment. The expression of original ideas is considered intellectual property and is protected by copyright laws, just like original inventions. In other words, plagiarism is an act of fraud. It involves both stealing someone else's work and lying about it afterward. Plagiarism could be intentional (dishonest plagiarism) or non-intentional (negligent plagiarism).

"Plagiarize" means: (according to the Merriam-Webster online dictionary)

- to steal and pass off (the ideas or words of another) as one's own
- to use (another's production) without crediting the source
- to commit literary theft
- to present as new and original an idea or product derived from an existing source

#### **Detection of Plagiarism:**

The institute makes available to faculty, researcher and M.Arch / Ph.D student the access to plagiarism detection tools ('anti-plagiarism software) for checking the content of their scripts before submission. The students need to submit the undertaking which should include the fact that the document has been duly checked through a plagiarism detection tool approved by PDC.

#### Plagiarism Disciplinary Committee (PDC):

The committee is constituted with senior faculty members of the institute for monitoring plagiarism by detection as well as to educate students / researchers about the steps to avoid it and about the dangers of plagiarism. In case, plagiarism is established, then Plagiarism Disciplinary Committee shall take action and impose penalty.

### **Compliance Statements as per SPPU guidelines:**

All students are required to submit a signed statement that they are aware of the plagiarism policy of the University and no part of their work be it assignment, term paper, project report, thesis or dissertation etc. is not copied in any form and it is their own creation.