

INTERNAL QUALITY ASSURANCE CELL NIRMALA COLLEGE, MUVATTUPUZHA

RESEARCH POLICY

Academic institutions are expected to perform threefold activity which includes teaching, research and extension. Research happens to be one of the pioneer aspect of academic activities which help the institution to achieve excellence in the field of education. It also includes the quality of learning and knowledge development. Research and developmental activities helps to create and disseminates new avenues in knowledge, promotes innovation and these will motivate better learning and teaching among faculties and students of Nirmala College, Muvattupuzha. Research is the foundation of knowledge that brings new energy, builds state of the art facilities, promotes research publications, develops collaborations and becomes part of active community that shares the mission objectives. Taking these into considerations, Nirmala College, Muvattupuzha framed and implemented its Research Policy.

Purpose

The purpose of the Research Policy is to create a vibrant atmosphere of research among faculty and inculcate research aptitude among the students. The policy shall serve as an overall framework within which research activities may be carried out It also aims to identify thrust areas of research having social relevance and thereby supplementing the Vision and mission of the college. The Research policy also emphasises contribution towards society and to the nation at large.

Scope

This Research Policy forms the basics of the research ethics of the college and is implemented in all the departments and it serve as the guidelines for the functioning of the Research council of the college.

Custodian of the Policy

The implementation and updating of the research policy is carried out by the Director, Research Council. The Research Policy shall have a Research Advisory Cell to function under the Principal, Nirmala College, Muvattupuzha and Academic Council, to assist and advise in matters related to research within the college.

Objectives of Research Policy

The Principal objectives of the Research Policy are as follows:

- To develop desired awareness regarding research in the faculty of Nirmala College, Muvattupuzha.
- 2. To establish a right kind of research culture through various research initiatives and programs.
- 3. To establish Research Center in different disciplines with emphasis on socially relevant topics.
- 4. To encourage faculty members to publish research papers and undertake various research projects of social and academic importance.
- 5. To publish a research journal, to provide a dais to the faculty members, as well as researchers and academicians in the college as well as in those from academia across the country.
- 6. To create awareness in the society through various research initiatives and by giving due publicity to the socially useful research projects that will be undertaken by the college.

Research Policy

The college shall have a well-defined research quality which shall act as a guideline for the scholar, teachers and all other concerned personnel.

- 1. To encourage original quality basic and applied research in the fields science, literature commerce and all related and other relevant fields.
- 2. To identify the emerging areas of research and encourage the faculty members to undertake research in these areas.
- 3. To establish linkage with industries and business organizations to identify potential areas of research, surveys and other basic research enquiry.
- 4. To acquire projects, market surveys and other research activities to acquire assistance from other business houses, industries, NGOs, boards and forums.
- 5. To encourage faculty members to get research projects from National Funding agencies like SERB, DBT, DST, ICSSR, UGC and other such institutions.

- 6. To identify faculty members who can work as leaders in the field of research and encourage them to undertake research projects, studies and surveys.
- 7. To provide financial assistance for publication of research papers and research findings.
- 8. To offer a suitable platform to the faculty members, scholars and students of Nirmala College, Muvattupuzha to publish their research findings and encourage them to bring to the notice of society issues of contemporary importance.
- 9. To organize various workshops to develop appropriate research skills among the scholars and faculty members.
- 10. To depute faculty members to various workshops, symposia, seminars and conferences in their respective fields as well as in areas of contemporary importance.
- 11. To establish suitable infrastructure in the college that will help to undertake different research projects.
- 12. To enrich information and data resources suitable for undertaking quality research projects and enquires.
- 13. To undertake all other such activities which will inculcate research culture in the college.

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