## Shree Manibhai Virani and Smt. Navalben Virani Science College

(An Autonomous College affiliated to Saurashtra University, Rajkot)

## **Meeting of Research Advisory Committee**

Date: 18-03-2022 Time: 11:30 AM Venue: Board Room

### Agenda:

- 1. Overview on the agenda of last RAC meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> December 2021 and its follow-up
- New research related initiatives and announcements by UGC , DBT and other National and State level funding agencies
  - 2.1. Draft guidelines for transforming higher education institutions into multidisciplinary
  - 2.2. Implementation of Guidelines for Establishment of Research & Development Cell in Higher Education institutions (HEIs)
  - 2.3. Draft University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations 2022
  - 2.4. British Council Scholarship for Women in STEM
  - 2.5. Press release regarding UGC NET
  - 2.6. Award of Project under E-Yuva initiative of BIRAC
- 3. Any other inputs from the Chair and the members

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## Minutes of the Research Advisory Committee Meeting

Date: 18/04/2019 Time: 11.30AM Venue: Board Room - VSC-A

A meeting of Research Advisory Committee under the Autonomous status was held on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022, at 11.30 AM in VSC-A Board Room.

The Agenda for the meeting was as stated under

#### Agenda:

- 1. Overview on the agenda of last RAC meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> December 2021 and its follow-up
- 2. New research related initiatives and announcements by UGC, DBT and other National and State level funding agencies.
- 3. Progress of the ongoing research projects in the college
- 4. Details regarding application for new research projects, if any
- 5. Any other matter from the Chair and the members

#### Minutes of the meeting:

- I. A meeting of RAC was held on 18<sup>th</sup> March 2022 at 11.30am in the Board room. It was addressed by Dr. K.D. Ladva, the Chairperson of RAC who extended a warm welcome to the members for a meeting in off-line mode after nearly two years of lockdown due to CoViD-19 pandemic. He gave an overview of the proceedings of RAC meeting held on 30<sup>th</sup> December 2021 and then initiated the discussion on various agenda of the current meeting.
- II. The first agenda for the discussion was UGC Draft guidelines for transforming higher education institutions into multidisciplinary.
- III. The members were made aware of UGC's Guidelines for Establishment of Research & Development Cell in Higher Education institutions (HEIs) in light of NEP 2020 for quality research and collaboration. The members were made aware of the guidelines and the committee unanimously decided to change the nomenclature of this current committee from Research Advisory Committee to Research and Development Cell.
- **IV.** Next point of discussion was Draft University Grants Commission (Minimum Standards and Procedures for Award of Ph.D. Degree) Regulations 2022 again in light of NEP 2020. The members discussed the draft suggestions.
- V. The British Council is offering scholarships under the aforementioned scholarship programme in partnership with UK Universities aimed at benefiting women from South Asian and other countries including India for Master's degree programme and early research fellowship. The members took notice of the same and decided to forward the information to girl students of institute.
- VI. UGC published a short report of the UGC-NET. Due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the conduct of December-2020 UGC-NET could not take place. Consequently, the UGC-NET of December 2020 and June 2021 Cycles were conducted together by National Testing Agency (NTA) between 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2021 and 05th January, 2022.

VII. The Committee took notice of and applauded the award of E-yuva Project under BIRAC to four students of Microbiology Department under the mentorship of (Dr.) Vivek Pattani.

VIII. It was further considered that no new research proposals have been submitted in the last quarter of the year.

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