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**NOTIFICATION**

Under report to the Academic Council and Board of Management of the Majuli University of Culture, the Hon`ble Vice-Chancellor, Majuli University of Culture is pleased to approve the *Research & Development (R&D) Policy of Majuli University of Culture* giving immediate effect.

The *Research & Development (R&D) Policy of Majuli University of Culture* is given herewith as *Annexure A*.

Issued with due approval.

Registrar  
Majuli University of Culture  
Majuli.

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1. The Hon`ble Vice-Chancellor, Majuli University of Culture, Majuli for favour of kind information.
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3. Academic Registrar, Majuli University of Culture, Majuli for favour of kind information and needful.
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*Annexure A*

## RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT (R&D) POLICY

### 1. Introduction

Majuli University of Culture (MUC) strives to develop a research environment that aligns with the vision of the National Education Policy (NEP) 2020 and the guidelines of UGC. The university aims to promote interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary research, encouraging knowledge creation and innovation in Arts, Humanities, Performing Arts and other associated disciplines. This R&D policy is prepared outlining a framework to facilitate, support, and regulate research activities at the University while maintaining academic integrity and excellence. The R&D policy shall provide comprehensive guidelines to faculty, researchers, and students to work and contribute meaningfully to the national and international academic community and address societal issues and challenges through research.

### 2. Objectives

- I. To promote high-quality interdisciplinary and multidisciplinary research in Arts, Humanities, Performing Arts, and other related disciplines.
- II. To encourage faculty, students, and researchers to undertake innovative and socially relevant research projects.
- III. To collaborate with Industry, research institutions/organizations and other HEIs of national and international repute.
- IV. To introduce and integrate research-oriented courses into curriculum and academic programmes.
- V. To provide adequate funding, infrastructure, and administrative support for research and innovation.
- VI. To maintain ethical practices and academic integrity to ensure compliance with the national and international research guidelines.
- VII. To assess and monitor research outcomes through publications, patents, and policy recommendations.



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VIII. To promote research-based learning by incorporating research methodologies into curriculum.

### 3. Research & Development (R&D) Cell:

The Research & Development Cell of Majuli University of Culture shall be constituted as below-

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| a. Vice-Chancellor, Majuli University of Culture                       | - Adviser     |
| b. Registrar, Majuli University of Culture                             | - Chairperson |
| c. Director/Coordinator, IQAC  | -Member       |
| d. One Senior Faculty Member from each department<br>of the University | - Member      |
| e. Two Senior Officers of the University                               | - Members     |

One of the Senior Faculty Members/ Officers shall be nominated by the Vice-Chancellor as Coordinator of the Cell. The R& D cell is entrusted with responsibilities to execute the various activities come under the purview of the Research Policy of the University.

### 4. Research Promotion and Funding

- I. The R& D Cell of the university shall coordinate and monitor research activities.
- II. Internal funding shall be allocated for endowment fund, research projects, and conference participation.
- III. Faculty and researchers will be encouraged to apply for external funding from government and private agencies, including UGC, ICSSR, ICHR, DST, and other national and international funding agencies.
- IV. Research incentives and awards shall be instituted to recognize outstanding contributions.
- V. A dedicated research budget shall be earmarked annually to support the R&D activities.
- VI. Faculty members shall be encouraged to guide Ph.D. scholars under funded projects.





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## 5. Research Infrastructure and Support

- I. The University shall establish a research centre for multidisciplinary research in humanities, arts, science, visual and performing arts, and rich cultural heritage of India.
- II. Access to digital repositories, subscription to the relevant journals, online libraries, laboratories, and fieldwork opportunities shall be enhanced.
- III. Research scholars and faculty will be provided with training in research methodology, grant writing, and publication ethics.

## 6. Collaboration and Networking

- I. The University shall establish linkages and sign MOUs with different organizations and HEIs to promote collaborative research and academic activities.
- II. Interdisciplinary research team shall be constituted to encourage inter-domain collaborative research activities.
- III. Conferences, workshops, and seminars shall be organized to facilitate knowledge exchange.
- IV. Faculty and Researchers shall be encouraged to participate in academic exchange programs and support participation in research consortium / conferences of national and international repute.
- V. Collaboration with industry, organizations and other HEIs shall be promoted.

## 7. Research Ethics and Integrity

- I. The R&D Cell and Departmental Research Committee shall oversee the ethical compliance and academic integrity in research.
- II. Plagiarism detection tools shall be utilized to ensure originality in research publications.
- III. Researchers shall adhere to guidelines set by regulatory bodies such as UGC and other relevant authorities.
- IV. Guidelines shall be established for proper data collection, storage, and sharing, ensuring data protection and privacy.
- V. The university shall implement strict anti-plagiarism policies, and violations shall be dealt with through disciplinary measures.

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## 8. Research and Development Principles

- I. The University shall prioritize on outcome-based research at all levels. Faculty members and research scholars will be supported and encouraged to publish papers in high-quality journals and conferences and file patents for their work. The University is also committed to advancing research aligned with sustainable development goals.
- II. The University shall endeavour to extend research and consultancy services on the contemporary issues of the society.
- III. The University keeps provision for financial support to the faculty members for publication of their research papers in the journals indexed by Web of Science or SCOPUS or any such quality journals duly recognised by the UGC and/or other such assessment and accreditation bodies.
- IV. The University encourages full-time research in Ph.D. Programmes. Besides, pursuing the Six-Month Course Work on the relevant discipline, the University urges regular attendance in the concerned Department for quality research output. The registered research scholars shall support the concerned Department as the Teaching Assistants.
- V. There shall be no provision for Part-Time Ph.D. scholars. However, provision shall be made for doing the course work by the remotely located college teachers to attend the classes in blended mode. The content of the course work shall be designed accordingly to conduct the classes in blended mode with due approval of the statutory authorities.
- VI. Any publication resulting as an outcome of the Ph.D. work at Majuli University of Culture must include the affiliation of Majuli University of Culture and mention the name of Supervisor/ Co-supervisor. Publications that do not meet this requirement shall not be considered as the research outcome of the Ph.D. work for Thesis submission.
- VII. In order to ensure quality research outcome in the Ph.D. level, the Policy encourages publishing at least two research papers in Scopus or Web of Science indexed journals at the time of submission Ph.D. Thesis.

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## 9. Intellectual Property Rights (IPR)

- I. The University shall establish an IPR Cell to assist researchers in patenting and commercializing their innovations.
- II. Policies shall be framed for intellectual property developed at the University.
- III. Researchers shall be encouraged to publish their findings in peer-reviewed journals and register their work under copyright laws.

## 10. Monitoring and Assessment

- I. Periodic review of research output shall be conducted through research audits.
- II. Research contributions shall be linked to faculty appraisal and career progression.
- III. Mechanisms shall be developed to measure research impact through citations, patents, policy contributions, and community outreach programs.
- IV. The Research & Development Cell shall ensure continuous monitoring and support for research activities.
- V. Societal impact assessment of research shall be conducted to ensure alignment with sustainable development goals (SDGs).
- VI. Performance evaluations shall be conducted periodically to identify areas for improvement and future research priorities.

## 11. Conclusion

This Research and Development Policy document is prepared to foster excellence in research and innovation while inculcating a research oriented academic environment at Majuli University of Culture. It aims to establish a conducive research environment while adhering to the minimum benchmarks for high-quality research output in the University. Any exceptions to the policy must be approved by the administration and the concerned statutory body of the Majuli University of Culture. Majuli University of Culture reserves the right to amend this policy as needed.

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