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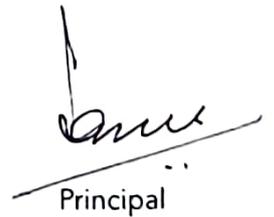
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# Responsible Conduct of Research

## Statement of Purpose

This institution is committed to maintaining research integrity and thereby it is obligatory for all the members of this institution to maintain highest standards in conducting research.

## Policy

The faculty and students shall conduct research with integrity and shall avoid research misconduct to safeguard themselves and the institution.

## Responsibility of the principal investigator and guides:

1. Research work shall start only after the approval from the Institutional Ethical Committee or Institutional Animal Ethics Committee.
2. To ensure that the work is conducted with utmost integrity.
3. To ensure that conflict of interest (financial or non-financial) is declared.
4. To ensure that there is no falsification of data or forgery in the consent forms or elsewhere.
5. The guides shall monitor the research work stringently and oversee the process of acquiring, recording, sorting and interpreting data.
6. The principal investigator shall store the original data for a period of two years or more if required by the funding agency.
7. The principal investigator shall not indulge in plagiarism or use materials in violation of copyright act or dishonesty in crediting authorship (e.g. not crediting the resource, gifting authorship to a person who has not contributed in any way to the project or depriving authorship to a person contributing meaningfully in terms of idea, planning, conducting or reporting)
8. To ensure that the grant / fund money is spent on research.
9. To ensure that the facilities of the institution are misused or used without permission.

In case of suspected misconduct, the institutional Ethics Committee or Institutional Animal Ethics Committee has the authority to question the principal investigator, seek explanation and to take appropriate action.

## Applies to:

All the members engaging in research active ties and the research supervisors of this institution.