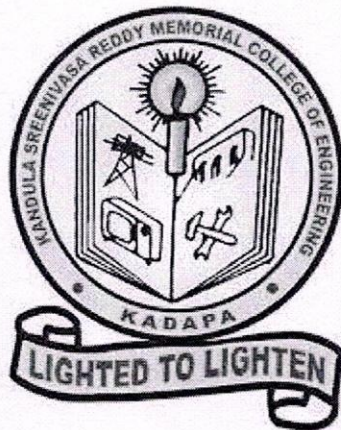


RESEARCH ETHICS POLICY



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INTRODUCTION:

This Policy sets out the general principles that underpin the College's approach to research ethics. Nothing in this Policy shall be interpreted in a way that is contrary to the Charter, Statutes, and Ordinances. The Charter, Statutes, and Ordinances shall have primacy should this Policy be found to be in any respect contrary to the Charter, Statutes, or Ordinances. The Principal and Dean-CRI shall have the final say on all questions as to the interpretation of this Policy.

RESEARCHER RESPONSIBILITY:

It is the role of Academic Staff to familiarize themselves and comply with this Policy, its associated procedures and applicable School research ethics-related policies and practices.

It is the responsibility of Academic staff or Principal Researcher to ensure compliance with the Policy. In the case of Student-led research, it is the responsibility of programme and/or course leaders, research project supervisors, to make students aware of the Policy.

However, it is the responsibility that Student researchers follow School research guidelines and declare where necessary conformance to codes of ethical conduct.

K.S.R.M college of engineering (KSRMCE) is steadfast in promoting and maintaining high values of integrity and accountability in the conduct of academic research and is dedicated to embed and endorse a culture of honesty and transparency in all its institutional activities. This document provides recommendations on good practice in academic research at KSRMCE. In addition, it educates and monitors faculties and students conducting research to ensure a high ethical standard. Following are the ethical guidelines:

1. Researchers should have mutual trust and understanding for free exchange of ideas.
2. Researchers should discuss and agree upon the result/publication credit throughout the research process to acknowledge the contributions.

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3. There should be honest reporting of facts and findings.
4. Scholarly opinions should be collaborated with scientific knowledge and respected.
5. Research should be conducted with a sense of responsibility and the process should stand the legal norms.
6. Results should be published in journals/conference proceedings to make it widely available for the research community.
7. Faculties are encouraged to create an environment of mutual cooperation for furthering the mission and vision of the college.
8. Faculties are encouraged to attend training programs/workshops to enhance their research capabilities.
9. Researchers must not involve themselves in any form of academic misconduct such as misinterpretation, plagiarism, violations of intellectual property rights, deviation from college rules etc.
10. Project thesis should be submitted for anti-plagiarism check for the quality and if the similarity information is less than 24% then only thesis will be accepted for submission.
11. Investigation of research misconduct shall be carried out by the Research Ethics Committee.
12. Based on the investigation report and recommendations of the Ethics Committee, appropriate actions may be initiated after duly listening to the respondent.

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