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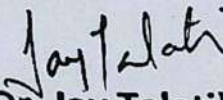
Approval of  
Revised Research Policy  
of Noble University.

## NOTIFICATION

It is notified for information of all the concerned that the Governing Body in its Eighth Meeting vide Item No. 8.3 has resolved as under:

**"It is resolved that as recommended by the Research Council in its 6<sup>th</sup> meeting held on 17<sup>th</sup> September, 2025, vide item no. 6.3, the Revised Research Policy of Noble University, prepared by Dean, Faculty of Engineering and Technology under the guidance of the Hon'ble Provost and appended to Agenda as Annexure-I be approved and the same be implemented from Academic Year, 2025-26."**

This notification shall come into force with immediate effect.

  
(Dr. Jay Talati)  
I/c Registrar  
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### CWCs to:

1. Sponsoring Body, Shri Vivek Bharti Trust, Junagadh.
2. P.S. to Hon'ble President, Noble University, Junagadh.
3. P.S. to Hon'ble Vice President, Noble University, Junagadh.
4. P.S. to Hon'ble Provost (Vice Chancellor), Noble University, Junagadh.
5. P.A. to Registrar, Noble University, Junagadh.
6. All the members of Governing Body, Noble University, Junagadh.

### Copy to:

7. Deans of all the Faculties, Noble University, Junagadh.
8. All the University Officers and Unit Heads, Noble University, Junagadh.
9. All the faculty members, Noble University, Junagadh.
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<b>Policy Title:</b>	<b>‘Research Policy’</b>
<b>Approved By</b>	Governing Body, Noble University
<b>Applicability of Policy:</b>	Whole Jurisdiction of University.
<b>Policy Purpose:</b>	To promote and create atmosphere of research in the University.

This policy document may be amended, replaced or withdrawn at any time. Copies, or part thereof, should be considered as unofficial and should not be relied upon as the current version in force. All are advised to obtain the latest version from the office of the Director of Research.

### 1.1 Acronyms:

NU	-	Noble University
UGC	-	University Grants Commission
IPFC	-	Intellectual Property Facilitation Centre
IP	-	Intellectual Property
IPR	-	Intellectual Property Rights
RC	-	Research Council
FDP		Faculty Development Programme

## 1.2 Definitions:

- 1.2.1 "University"** means the Noble University formed under Gujarat Act No. 7 of 2022 by the Government of Gujarat.
- 1.2.2 "Faculty of Studies"** means a group of university colleges concerned with a major division.
- 1.2.3 "College"** means the Constituent institute of Noble University
- 1.2.4 "Programmes"** means various programmes run by Noble University under various Faculties of the University.
- 1.2.5 "Policy"** means a set of basic principles and associated guidelines, formulated and enforced by the governing body of university direct and limits its actions in pursuit of long term goals.
- 1.2.6 "Intellectual Property" (IP)** refers to creation of the mind, such as inventions; literary and artistic works; designs and symbols, names and images.
- 1.2.7 "Inventor"** mean a person covered by this policy who individually or jointly with others makes an Invention and who meets the criteria for inventorship under Indian patent laws and regulations
- 1.2.8 "Inventory"** means any patentable or potentially patentable idea discovery or know-how and any associated or supporting technology that is required for development or application of the idea, discovery or know-how.

## 1.3 Policy Background:

Noble University is a State Private University established and approved by the Govt. of Gujarat under Gujarat Private Universities (Amendment) Act, 2022 (Gujarat Act No. 7, 2022) Which is an extension of Gujarat Private Universities Act, 2009. In accordance with the guidelines of the Act and UGC regulations, Research policy of the University has been drafted to provide clarity, transparency and uniformity to the University

research endeavour.

#### **1.4 Policy Objective:**

To build university wide research and IPR culture and to enable an environment that facilitates collaborative research which pushes frontiers of knowledge and enhances societal wellbeing.

#### **1.5 Research Administration:**

Provost (Vice Chancellor) is the Principal Academic Officer of the, university and oversees all academic matters including research. In matters pertaining to research, the provost is supported by the Director of Research. At NU, research activities are carried out at college level as well as at Research Centre level. To promote, regulate, monitor and administer a multitude of research-related activities in Noble University, various committees are formed. These committees function at central level or at individual scheme level. All committees and their activities fall under the purview of the Research Council of Noble University. The Research Council shall be responsible for encouraging, guiding and monitoring research projects including doctoral research.

#### **1.6 The Research Council:**

The Research Council is the apex committee entrusted with the task of formulation, promotion and administration of research policy at university level. The committee is also responsible for screening, selection and fund allocation to the proposals received. The council supervises all activities under different schemes to ascertain that norms and mandates of the concerned funding agency are compiled by the fund-receiving coordinator, faculty or student. As provided under Clause 2.4.1 of First Statues of Noble University, constitution of Research Council is as under:

- (A) Provost – Chairman
- (B) All Deans of the Faculties
- (C) Directors such as, Director of Students' Welfare and Director of IT
- (D) All Principals of the Colleges other than Deans
- (E) Two Eminent Scientists outside the University nominated by the Provost in consultation with Director of Research
- (F) Special Invitee as Nominated by the President
- (G) Project Officer
- (H) Director of Research – Member Secretary

Concerned Principal of a College of the University may attend the meeting of the council, along with the concerned faculty or student (to represent the case/proposal), as and when required. The council may also include domain experts as invited members whenever need arises.

The council will meet at least biannually (once in every semester) or whenever a need arises to review the applications received for funds or support.

While the council is processing funding applications, Director of research (as Member Secretary), shall keep the committee informed regarding budgetary norms, limits, status of funds available and other provisions specified by the concerned funding agency.

## **1.7 Research Promotion Policy:**

### **Preamble**

Keeping in tandem with the rising global trend towards scientific innovation and research, accompanied by the thrust of Indian government's regulatory agencies, accreditation agencies, funding agencies, academic ranking agencies and the

expectations of industry and corporate sector for quality and quantum of researchwork; Noble University has resolved to create a research-friendly environment in the university. To motivate and facilitate research at various levels of faculties and students at the constituent colleges, the University has formulated a research Policy, which is opting, lined below:

1. NU shall endeavour to appoint faculty with established research credentials and track record from research institutes.
2. NU shall endeavour to invite faculty from reputed institutes on sabbatical leaves for joint research projects with NU research scholars and faculties.
3. Preference shall be given to recruitment of full time Ph.D. scholars
4. All NU faculty members shall be motivated to get registered in a Ph.D. programme (in NU or any recognised university) on completion of their 3 years teaching/research experience at NU. However, University may give relaxation in experience.
5. Faculty members guiding post-graduate students should apply for one funded project as Principal Investigator and publish research papers in the capacity of first or any level as author.
6. Faculty having experience of more than two years, but not guiding post-graduate students must publish at least one research paper in the capacity of first or any level as author.
7. University shall give up to 5% of research funded amount as bonus to faculty members on successful completion of funded research project.
8. Faculty members will get up to 50 % of the surplus arising out of consultation as well as the surplus arising out of commercialization of patents generated by him.
9. The University shall provide a reimbursement of Rs. 6,000/- per year as seed money

to the PG research guide for each postgraduate research project, against expenses incurred during the project. Similarly, for Ph.D. scholars, an amount of Rs. 15,000/- shall be reimbursed to the respective research guide upon successful submission of the thesis and completion of the viva voce examination.

- 10.** University shall provide financial support to faculty members based on their designation for participation in conferences, seminar, symposia, workshop etc. as below.

<b>Conference Type</b>	<b>Yearly financial Support</b>
State Level Conference	Rs. 5,000/-
National Conference (India)	Rs. 7,000/-
International Conference (India)	Rs. 10,000/-
International Conference (Outside India)	Rs. 50,000/-

- 11.** The University encourages the publication of high-quality research outputs in Scopus and Web of Science indexed journals with the objective of enhancing research visibility, increasing citations, and improving both individual and institutional h-index scores.

Recognized scholarly contributions—including original research articles, systematic reviews, book chapters, and other peer-reviewed outputs—serve as quantifiable indicators of research and development (R&D) activity.

To promote and reward such scholarly productivity, the following research incentive structure shall be implemented:

Publication Type	Journal Category	Incentive Amount in Rupees
International Journal Indexed in Scopus* and Web of Science having Scopus Cite Score of * Journal should be indexed and rated at the time of publication	Q1 Journals	15,000 per paper, incentive should be divided in equal proportion but only NU faculty members will be eligible
	Q2 Journals	10,000 per paper, incentive should be divided in equal proportion but only NU faculty members will be eligible
	Q3 Journals	7,000 per paper, incentive should be divided in equal proportion but only NU faculty members will be eligible
	Q4 Journals	7,000 per paper, incentive should be divided in equal proportion but only NU faculty members will be eligible
Book chapter published in a book by a reputed publisher (CBS Publishers & Distributors, Springer Nature, Elsevier, Wiley, or Taylor & Francis)	National	1,000
	International	3,000
Text / Reference Book Publication with a reputed publisher (Springer Nature, Elsevier, Wiley, Taylor & Francis, CRC Press, Cambridge University Press, Oxford University Press, SAGE Publications, IEEE Press, Bentham Science Publishers, Vikas Publishing House etc)	State	3,000
	National	5,000
	International	7,000

Note: This incentives is applicable for research papers published in journals listed in (SCI/SCOPUS/WoS only) in a year. For research papers in other journals, this augmentation shall not be applicable.

**12.** University shall offer research fellowship to promote a research environment amongst faculty members by providing financial support of Rs.50000/- per year per faculty after scrutinizing the research proposals.

### **13. Promoting for Best Research Awards**

The Best Researcher Award honors faculty or researchers with exceptional research performance over the past three years. Eligibility requires a minimum of three years of continuous service and consistent scholarly output. Selection is based on Scopus/Web of Science-indexed publications, citation metrics (h-index, i10-index), funded projects, patents, and research guidance. The award includes a certificate, memento, and cash prize (e.g., Rs. 5,000), presented annually.

### **1.8 Intellectual Property Rights (IPR) Policy of Noble University:**

A Patent is a statutory right for an invention granted for a limited period to the patentee by the Government, in exchange of full disclosure of his invention for excluding others, from making, using, selling, importing the patented product or process for producing that product for those purposes without his consent. Academic and Research Institutions are concerned with successfully managing projects. and research initiatives and the protection of their IP Rights which will benefit all stakeholders. The University would hold the sole right to protect the inventions by the young researchers for their future ventures.

IPR shall include Patents, Trademarks, Copyrights., Trade Secrets and other species such as computer software or printed material, any new and useful process, machine, composition of matter life form, article of manufacture, software, copyrighted work, such thing as new or improved devices, circuits, chemical compounds, drug: genetically

engineered biological organisms, data sets, software musical processes, or unique and innovative uses of existing inventions. For the purposes of these Ordinances, Intellectual Property may or may not be patentable or copyrightable.

IPR Type	Incentive Amount in Rupees
National Patent Granted	5,000
International Patent Granted	7,000
Copyright for Software	2,000
Design Registration	2,000

**(A) Objectives:**

- To create an awareness about IPR in faculty members and students of the University.
- To impart training on future endeavours regarding patent filing processes.
- To conduct workshops, seminars and training courses on IPR.
- To create an opportunity for Product development and Commercialization.

**(B) Patents:** It shall be competent for the Board of Management to take out patents in respect of any discovery or invention made by the teacher, or research students working in the University.

**(C) Right to be in joint name:** The patent shall be taken in the join names of the University and the person responsible for the discovery or invention.

**(D) Expenses of registration:** The expenses in connection with the registration of

patents shall be borne by the University.

- (E) Sharing of profits: Any profit accruing from the patent shall be shared equally between the University and the person responsible for the invention or discovery.
- (F) Exploitation of patents: The person responsible for the invention or discovery shall render free service to the University in connection with the exploitation of the patent. The terms on which patents may be offered for exploitation shall be determined solely by the Board of Management.
- (G) Noble University is obliged to:
- Promote and encourage application oriented scientific research;
  - Make reach of inventions to the common man through university supervision.
  - Encourage, assist and provide mutually beneficial rewards the University and inventory members.
  - University to secure sponsored research funding at all levels research.