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Staff Financial Support Policy

1.	Administrative Policy Number (APN): 16/2019-20	Functional Area: Financial Support to the Staff members.
2.	Brief Description of the Policy:	Purpose: Providing financial aid and assistance to the staff members Audience: All the staff members and the management authorities.
3.	Policy Applies to:	All the teaching and non-teaching staff members.
4.	Effective from the Date:	1st November 2019
5.	Approved by:	College Development Committee (CDC)
6.	Responsible Authority	Office Superintendent and Accounts department of the Office
7.	Superseding Authority	Principal and Management Authorities
8.	Last Reviewed / Updated:	New Policy
9.	Reason for the policy	To provide financial aid and assistance to the teaching and non-teaching staff members for research and other purposes.
10.	References for the policy	UGC/ University

Introduction:

The college recognizes the importance of supporting the financial well-being and professional development of its staff members. This policy outlines the guidelines and procedures for providing financial support to staff members for various purposes, such as professional development, research activities, personal emergencies, and welfare assistance.



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Objectives:

- To support the professional growth and advancement of staff members through financial assistance for training, conferences, workshops, and other development activities.
- To promote research excellence and scholarly contributions by providing funding for research projects, publications, and academic collaborations.
- To foster a supportive and conducive work environment that promotes the professional growth, well-being, and welfare of the staff members.
- To address personal emergencies and unforeseen financial hardships faced by staff members through welfare assistance programs.
- To empower the staff members to achieve their full potential and contribute effectively to the mission and goals of the institution.
- To ensure transparency, fairness, and accountability in the allocation and utilization of financial support resources.

Purpose of Financial Support:

Professional Development:

- Funding may be provided to staff members for attending conferences, seminars, workshops, short-term courses, and training programs relevant to their field of expertise.
- Eligible expenses may include registration fees, travel expenses, accommodation, and daily allowances.

Research Support:

- Financial assistance may be allocated to support research projects, including research materials, equipment, software, and publication fees.
- Staff members may also receive funding for presenting papers at conferences, conducting fieldwork, and engaging in collaborative research activities.



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Personal Emergencies:

- Staff members facing personal emergencies such as medical emergencies, family crises, or natural disasters may request financial assistance from the institution.
- Requests will be assessed on a case-by-case basis, and assistance will be provided as deemed necessary and appropriate by the Principal and Management authorities.

Welfare Assistance:

- Welfare assistance programs may include financial aid, loans, or grants to support staff
 members in meeting essential needs such as healthcare, housing, education, and other
 basic necessities.
- Eligibility criteria and application procedures for welfare assistance will be clearly communicated to staff members.

Guidelines and Procedures:

• Application Process:

- Staff members seeking financial support must submit a formal written application to the designated administrative office.
- The application should include details of the purpose, estimated budget, expected outcomes, and any supporting documentation required.

Approval Process:

- Applications for financial support will be reviewed and evaluated by a designated committee or authority responsible for overseeing staff welfare and development.
- Decisions regarding the allocation of financial support will be based on the merits of the application, availability of funds, and alignment with institutional priorities.

Disbursement of Funds:

- Approved funds will be disbursed to staff members through the institutional finance office or other designated channels.
- Staff members are required to provide appropriate documentation and receipts for expenses incurred as per the approved budget.



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Monitoring and Evaluation:

- 1. The utilization of financial support funds will be monitored and evaluated regularly to ensure compliance with the approved budget and guidelines.
- 2. Staff members receiving financial support may be required to submit reports or documentation regarding the outcomes and impact of the supported activities.

Compliance:

- 1. The college is committed to ensuring transparency, fairness, and accountability in the allocation and utilization of financial support resources for staff members.
- 2. The designated administrative office responsible for overseeing staff welfare and development will ensure compliance with all relevant policies, regulations, and guidelines.

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