POLICY FOR PROMOTION OF RESEARCH

The Academic & Erudition Research Centre of Queen Mary's College (A), Chennai-4, Tamil nadu, India.

OUR VISION

- To lead regionally, nationally and internationally in practice-based research.
- To be the centre of choice for research, development and consultancy within our focus areas.
- To be a key constituent of the affiliated University creating excellence in innovation in research.
- To engage in collaborative research by way of interdisciplinary studies.
- To encourage research work of societal importance.
- To update the advancements in our research areas of focus.
- To Keep good records of research activities, such as data collection, research design, and correspondence with agencies or journals.

STATED CODE OF ETHICS FOR RESEARCH-

THROUGH THE PRESENCE OF ETHICS COMMITTEE

The research council of Queen Mary's College (A), expects its members to adhere to the highest ethical and safety standards. The principles of Code of Conduct of research fraternity were prepared by the Council Committee on Professional ethics, approved and adopted by the Council (March 16, 1994), for the guidance of members in various professional dealings. The Professional's Code of Conduct (PCC) was updated to better reflect the changing times and current trends of research in 2007 and subsequently updated in 2012, 2016 and 2019 and 2024. The current version of the PCC was approved by the Council on 4.3.2024. The Council Committee on Professional Code of Conduct explicitly lists among its objectives:

- To maintain high standards of professional ethics in work and research.
- The research fraternity to ensure the high standards of scientific integrity, which
 includes sharing ideas and information, keeping accurate and complete records and
 giving due credit to the contributions of others.
- The PCC are incompatible to scientific misconduct such as undisclosed conflicts of interest, fabrication, falsification, and plagiarism.
- Research professionals should treat others with respect and shall not engage in discrimination, harassment, bullying, dishonesty, fraud, misrepresentation, coercive manipulation, censorship, or other misconduct..
- Researchers should be mindful to avoid all bias based on race, gender, age, religion, ethnicity, nationality, sexual orientation, gender expression, gender identity, presence of disabilities, educational background, or other personal attributes.
- To honestly report data, results, methods and procedures and not fabricate, falsify, or misrepresent data. They shall not deceive colleagues, research sponsors, or the public.
- To avoid careless errors and negligence; carefully and critically examine their own work and the work of peers.
- To share data, results, ideas, tools, resources, be open to criticism and new ideas.
- To honor patents, copyrights, and other forms of intellectual property and never plagiarize.
- To respect colleagues and treat them fairly.

- To strive to promote social good and prevent or mitigate social harms through research, public education, and advocacy.
- To show proper respect and care for animals when using them in research

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