

Research Policy

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RESEARCH POLICY

This research policy is formulated with an aim to realize the following vision statement:

- In line with JK LakshmiPat University's vision to be one of India's most innovative higher education institutions, the R&D vision of the university is to be amongst the top ten private universities in the country known for contributing to solve real societal problems through Learning, Research and Innovation at the intersection of Design, Business and Technology.
- JK LakshmiPat University aspires to be a leader in at least one niche innovation area in the country involving trans-disciplinary action research and entrepreneurship.

Changes in economic parameters and societal transformation are impacted by quest for not only traditional modes of discovery and growth in scientific or technological knowledge, but also indicated through new or unique ways of application or implementation. Sustainable development needs questioning of predefined and established interpretation of development itself. It is the endeavor of JK LakshmiPat University to facilitate a conducive environment to facilitate flourishing of the complete cycle of critical thinking: Inspiration, Ideation, and Implementation with focus on beneficial differentiation relative to the existing solutions. Basic science, technology, design and management are all part of innovation that can benefit the society through commercial as well as benevolent implementations. Research and developmental activities at JK LakshmiPat University would create and disseminate new knowledge in a range of fields, promote innovation and these will motivate as well as strengthen learning and improve teaching among students and faculties of our University by relating the courses to their practical utility for developing new and improved products or services. Research is the foundation of knowledge that brings new energy, builds state of the art facilities, promotes research publications including patents, develops national as well as international collaborations and becomes part of active trans-disciplinary community that shares the mission objectives. Taking these into considerations, following JK LakshmiPat University Research Policy is established.

1. Purpose

The purpose of the Research Policy is to facilitate a free, pro-active, self-initiated, collaborative and vibrant atmosphere of research among faculty, other researchers, staff and students in JK LakshmiPat University. The policy shall serve as an overall framework within which research and innovation activities may be carried out.

2. Scope

This is a JK LakshmiPat University wide Research Policy applicable across all current and future Institutes and Centers.



3. Objectives

- To create a facilitating environment within JKLU in order to foster a research culture as well as provide required support through research and innovation framework and guidelines.
- To ensure high level of efficient and effective support system to facilitate faculty and researchers in their research activities, including financial support in deserving cases.
- Ensure peer reviewed publications in quality journals, indexed in Scopus/Web of Science aiming at highest possible impact factor and/or patent publications with high probability of their getting granted.
- To nurture an environment of undertaking socially useful, environmentally beneficial, or sustainability promoting research and innovation with potential for commercialization or benevolence.
- Establish Research Centers within JKLU with potential for Excellence.
- Forge trans-disciplinary partnerships and collaborations nationally and internationally.

4. Custodian of Policy

The implementation and updating of Research Policy shall be carried out by the office of the Dean (Research & Development), JK Lakshmipat University. The Research Policy shall have a Research Advisory Board to function under Vice Chancellor, JK Lakshmipat University, to assist and advise in matters related to research within the University.

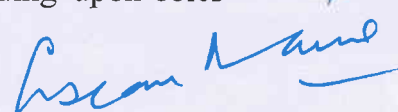
5. Policy and Guidelines

• **5.1 Undertaking Research**

Faculty, other researchers, staff and students of JK Lakshmipat University are expected to undertake research, innovation or contribute to research, innovation directly or indirectly, leading to quality scholarly publications, or patent publications, or articles in reputed general interest publications, or presentations in National/International conferences of repute. These platforms for publications and presentations will be approved by the university and updated from time to time depending on their standing. The quality of research output, especially research publications, may be assessed on the established yardsticks such as Impact Factor (IF) which will be revised from time-to-time as appropriate. Patent publications would be expected to lead towards granted patents resulting in generation of Intellectual Property with potential for commercialization or benevolence, socially useful, environmentally beneficial, or sustainability promoting research or innovation outcomes.

• **5.2 Obligations of faculty and researchers (including post graduate researchers)**

Research, Development, Innovation, and industry projects' output will be considered one of the criteria for faculty promotion along with other academic responsibilities, viz., teaching and institution building depending upon roles and agreed goals.



- **5.3 Recruitment of new faculty and researchers**

One of the criteria for recruitment of new faculty members and researchers would be demonstrable/ demonstrated capability in research and/or other forms of innovation such as success in issued patents or securing grants, consultancy or other means of funding.

- **5.4 Research Management**

Dean (Research & Development), JK Lakshmipat University will be responsible for formulation of the Research, Development and Innovation Agenda for the University and revise it from time to time. Overall management of related activities will be coordinated by the office of the Dean (Research & Development), under direct supervision of the Vice Chancellor. Research Advisory Board shall assist and advise for broad functioning of research activities within the University. Each Institution's purely academic research, e.g. doctoral research activities will be supervised by the respective research advisor of a scholar coordinated by Head of Institute or the nomination from respective Institute.

- **5.5 Financial Support**

While faculty and other researchers are expected to strive to secure their own Research and Development funding from government, non-government, international aid, CSR and other agencies in India and abroad, seed money and initiation grants would be considered on competitive basis or on case-to-case basis depending on merits of R&D project proposals.

