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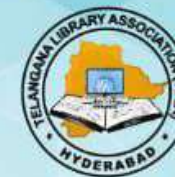Hon. Secretary & Correspondent, IIMC

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About Theme of the Seminar

The present day world is witnessing an increased deterioration of morals and ethics in academic practices, especially in the developing countries. India is not an exception to it. There are multiple forms of academic misconduct or academic corruption, such as, fake degrees, degree mills, predatory journals, plagiarism, cheating in examinations & admissions. Over the years, these malpractices have proliferated to the extent of threatening the foundations of academic citadel and the society at large. However, Plagiarism—the most common form of misconduct in the academia-- has reached an alarming stage requiring correction, as it is increasing with the technological advancements and the proliferation of digital information resources. "Plagiarism is the appropriation of another person's ideas, processes, results, or words without giving appropriate credit" (US Federal Policy on Research Misconduct).

Altbach(2015) states that according to the report of the Exams Ethics Project, a non-governmental organization working in Nigeria, academic fraud and corruption is a "big business" in that country, resulted in revoking of over 7,000 degrees by the University of Port Harcourt in Southern Nigeria.

Ignorance and lack of awareness of the principles and guidelines relating to the culture of academic integrity are considered to be the reasons for spreading of plagiarism instances. It is suggested that an organized and multifaceted national campaign is needed to root out the academic corruption by sensitizing the academics such as, faculty, research scholars, students, and the society at large. The present Seminar is a step in the direction of creating awareness on the above issues.

In India, UGC made it mandatory for all the researchers in the universities across the country to subject their thesis to plagiarism detection software for verification before their theses is sent for evaluation. INFLIBNET is providing free plagiarism software (Urkund) to universities, and Turnitin is the largely used anti-plagiarism detection software. Further, UGC has brought UGC Regulations, 2018 on 'Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions' to combat with plagiarism and recommended that the thesis should not have more than 10% of similarity with the earlier works and for cases beyond, it made various suggestions for improvement and punishment too.

About IIMC

In the year 1973, a few concerned farsighted well-meaning minds were in a huddle to establish Business Management course in collaboration with Pittsburgh University, but the action plan was thrashed out. In this state of perplexity, founders of Vasavi Seva Kendram and Vysya Hostel together conceived the idea of an academic wing and registered it as Vasavi Foundation, with men of letters as its members. They contemplated an institution of national character and christened it as "Indian Institute of Management and Commerce". During this time the Department of Commerce, Osmania University was trying to improve B.Com. Undergraduate course focusing on Law, Accounts, Economics and bring in Mathematics by introducing "B.Com(Hons.)", a three year course.

We offer Honors, General, Computers, Computer Applications, BBA and B.Sc. Courses in almost all the major subjects from the science and Commerce streams. The teaching-learning programs are marked with personal mentoring; students are encouraged to work in teams and learn from peers. The college organizes meeting between parents and teachers, in presence of the Principal, to discuss the students' progress. Our College has an excellent infrastructure with well-equipped teaching laboratories, a spacious auditorium and seminar hall with modern amenities.

In an age where online education is burgeoning, the college has recognized the need to extend the walls of the classroom in both space and time. Apart from demonstrative lectures we have introduced virtual classrooms which would provide our students with a visual interface that is intuitive and user-friendly. In an increasingly competitive world, these classes would equip the students to achieve their educational and professional goals. The College also has a Placement Cell for providing employment opportunities to graduating students through campus recruitment in various reputed organizations. The Academic Year 2016-2017 has been a momentous landmark in the journey of IIMC. The National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC) in its evaluation awarded our College a B++ Grade.

About TSLA

The Telangana Library Association was established on 9th August 2014 on the Librarian's Day and registered as a society with the Telangana state. The mission of the Association is "Library Services for All". Further, the basic objectives of the association are:

a. To promote library movement and development of all types of libraries, especially Public Libraries in the State of Telangana.

b. To strive for capacity building and skills enhancement of the personnel in the field of LIS (Library and Information Science) and for their welfare.

c. To organize various knowledge enhancement and skill development programs such as, workshops, seminars, conferences, colloquia, professional meetings, etc. time to time to catch up and cope up with the changing technological applications in LICs and also the changing needs of the library users.

Objectives of the Seminar

The Seminar is intended to impart adequate knowledge and understanding on scholarly publications, publishing trends, predatory journals and use of social media tools in research. The Seminar further aims to offer adequate knowledge on anti-plagiarism software as well as the use of social media tools in writing scholarly and quality research papers.

Theme of the Seminar

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SUB THEMES ARE:

1. Academic writing/How to write a research paper, Ethics in Publishing.
2. Plagiarism and Anti-Plagiarism Detection Tools.
3. UGC Regulations, 2018 on 'Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism...'.
4. Predatory Journals.
5. Anti-plagiarism software: Practical demonstration.

The Seminar is targeted to the academics of all disciplines and all categories, viz., Library professionals, faculty members, research scholars and LIS students. The seminar offers an opportunity to learn new tools and techniques of writing quality research/scholarly papers by observing the ethical norms and overcoming the danger of falling into the purview of plagiarism either voluntarily or involuntarily.