# Janabai Vikas Sanstha's Gajananrao Pandurang Patil College of Arts & Science (Affiliated to University of Mumbai)

## **Anti-Plagiarism Policy**

Gajananrao Pandurang Patil College of Arts & Science is committed to upholding the highest standards of academic integrity and promoting originality in scholarly work. Plagiarism, the act of using someone else's ideas, words, or work without proper attribution, undermines these principles and erodes the foundation of academic excellence. Therefore, GPPC has implemented the following Anti-Plagiarism Policy to ensure that all members of our academic community adhere to the highest ethical standards:

#### 1. Definition of Plagiarism:

Plagiarism includes, but is not limited to, the following:

- Copying verbatim text from a source without proper citation.
- Paraphrasing or summarizing someone else's ideas without giving credit.
- Presenting someone else's work as one's own.

### 2. Responsibilities of Students:

- Students are expected to produce original work for all assignments, projects, and assessments.
- Proper citation and referencing must be provided for any material sourced from external works.
- Students should seek clarification from faculty or instructors if unsure about appropriate citation practices.

#### 3. Faculty and Instructor Responsibilities:

- Faculty and instructors are responsible for educating students about plagiarism and proper citation methods.
- They should provide clear guidelines on what constitutes plagiarism for each assignment or project.
  - Vigilance in detecting and addressing instances of plagiarism is essential.

#### 4. Consequences of Plagiarism:

- Any student found guilty of plagiarism will face disciplinary action, which may include:
  - Lowered grades for the assignment or project.
  - Failure in the course.
  - Academic probation or suspension.
  - Repeat offenses or severe cases of plagiarism may result in expulsion from GPPC.

#### **5. Preventive Measures:**

- Faculty members are encouraged to design assignments and assessments that promote critical thinking and originality.
- Workshops and seminars on academic integrity and proper citation practices are conducted regularly.

## **6. Appeals Process:**

- Students have the right to appeal any decision regarding plagiarism allegations.
- Appeals should be submitted in writing to the appropriate academic authority within a specified timeframe.

#### 7. Continuous Review and Revision:

- GPPC will regularly review and update its Anti-Plagiarism Policy to align with best practices and address emerging issues.

By adhering to this Anti-Plagiarism Policy, GPPC reaffirms its commitment to fostering a culture of academic honesty, integrity, and originality. All members of the GPPC community are expected to uphold these principles in their academic pursuits.



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