

# *Policy for Research Promotion*



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# Research @ RUAS

## Background

Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences (RUAS), sponsored by Gokula Education Foundation (Medical), was established as a private University under an act of Government of Karnataka vide notification dated 30 December 2013. The University started academic activities from the year 2014-15 at its two campuses, namely: Gnanagangothri Campus (predominantly for Health Sciences) and Peenya Campus (for Engineering Sciences). The statement “**Research is Neither a First Step nor a Last Step But it is only a Next Step**” embodies the philosophy and the underlying principle of a research endeavour. Under the contextual periphery of this statement, research is a perennial journey and is an entity with conglomerate perspectives of the past, present and the future. As a Comprehensive & Multidisciplinary University, RUAS embraces Research and Innovation ecosystem through four verticals, namely: Academics, Research, Training & Lifelong Learning and Consultancy. RUAS has recently introduced new UG Programs in emerging domains of Research like B.Tech in AI & ML and Mathematics & Computing along with specialized Programs in Allied Health Sciences such as Public Health, Hospital Administration, Bio-Technology and Food Technology.

According to Dr. A.P.J. Kalam “**Learning gives Creativity; Creativity leads to Thinking; Thinking provides Knowledge; Knowledge makes you Great**”. Taking cue from this inspiring words, the Faculty Members are keenly developing a research capability in evolving and exciting disciplines of AI & ML, Hypersonics, Computational Fluid Dynamics, Electromagnetics, Communication Engineering, Biomaterials, Allied Health and Life Sciences, Bio-Medical Engineering, Drug Delivery System, Oral Cancer and Computational Sciences. To facilitate multidisciplinary research Centers of Excellence in ‘*Computational Mechanics*’ and ‘*AI, ML and Autonomy*’ are established. The University has in place active initiatives such as establishment of Research partnerships with premier Universities of International Stature (UIC, UIUC, TAMU, USC), Defense and Space Laboratories, Distinguished Visiting Professorships, and Prestigious Lecture by renowned Specialists. Recently RUAS has initiated Multidisciplinary Research Meetings and Journal Clubs, Multidisciplinary Research Fellowships (Postdoctoral and Ph.D. Fellowships). For Example: International Infectious Disease and Global Health Training Program (IIDGHTP) to augment both the capacity and the capabilities of associated Faculty. In response to COVID-19, Ramaiah Group and its international collaborators are collating a multidisciplinary focused special compendium addressing the needs of the scientific community including policy and programs.

Summarizing, RUAS envisages to be a premier Research and Innovation University of International Stature in the coming decade with the state-of-the-art laboratory facilities, libraries, resource centers and the proven Global educational practices.

## Research Promotion and Management – Research Innovation and Council

The Research Promotion activities and initiatives are governed by the Research and Innovation Council (RIC) of the University. The Members of RIC include:

Sl. No.	Name	Designation	Membership
1	Prof. K.K. Raina	Vice Chancellor	Chairperson
2	Prof. Govind R. Kadambi	Pro-Vice Chancellor - Research	Member-Secretary
3	Prof. Sundaresh D.C.	Pro-Vice Chancellor - Health Sciences	Member
4	Prof. Anindya Sen	Pro-Vice Chancellor - Social Sciences	Member
5	Prof. M. Saibaba	Registrar	Member
6	All Deans	Dean - Academics/Faculty/School	Member
7	Prof. J.N. Reddy	Regent Professor, Texas A&M University, USA	Member
8	Prof. B.N. Raghunandan	Retd. Scientist, IISC - Bangalore	Member
9	Prof. V. Prakash	Retd. Distinguished Scientist and Former Director CFTRI, CSIR-India	Member
10	Prof. A. Anantharaman	Provost, XIME and Visiting Professor, Harvard Business School	Member
11	Dr. N. Venkateswaran	Formerly with ABB Global Industries & Services Pvt. Ltd.	Member
12	Dr. S. Srinivasa Rao	CVRDE – DRDO, Chennai	Member
13	Dr. M.S. Muthumurugan	Sri Ramachandra University, Porur - Chennai	Member
14	Dr. T. Thangamariappan	Biocon Bristol Myers Squibb R & D Centre, Bangalore	Member
15	Dr. K.M. Sharath Kumar	Director – Research	Member

## Aim of the Research Promotion Policy

The aim of the Research Promotion Policy is to provide guidelines for Faculty Members to carry out contemporary Scholarly work. The promotion activities of the Research Division are broadly categorized into Academic Research, Sponsored Research and Industrial Consultancy. The Table 1 highlights the Policy decisions of RUAS for these criteria:

**Table 1: Policy Decisions Pertaining to Research Division**

Sl. No.	Criteria	Academic Research	Sponsored Research	Industrial Consultancy
1	MoUs and Non-Disclosure Agreement	X	√	√
2	Incentives	X	√	√
3	Fee Concession to Employees	√	X	X
4	Seed Money to Initiate Research	X	√	X
5	Research Centers and Center of Excellence	√	X	X
6	Support for Organizing Events (Conference, Seminars, Workshops etc.)	√	X	X
7	Support for Presenting Papers at Conference	√	√	√
8	Examiner Remuneration	√	X	X
9	Supervisor Selection for Research Programs	√	X	X
10	Submission of Proposals to External Funding Agency	√	X	√
11	Utilization of Expert Services from External Member/Agency	X	√	√
12	Accessing External Facilities	√	√	√
13	Internal Resource Utilization by Externals	√	√	√
14	Financial Support to Ph.D. Scholars	√	√	√
15	Utilization of Received Grant by the Principal Investigator for Project Execution	X	√	√

## **1. MoUs and Non-Disclosure Agreement**

RUAS encourages Faculty Members to undertake collaborative projects with Universities, R&D Organizations, Industries and Public Sector Undertakings. The University signs collaborative research agreements and Non-Disclosure Agreements (NDAs) with Organizations/Institutions pursuing Research on topics of mutual interest to provide a platform for Faculty Members to carry out contemporary research.

The MoUs and NDAs shall be signed for Sponsored Research and Industrial Consultancy Projects. In case of Sponsored Research, the University shall sign and provide declaration as per the format provided by the Funding Agency. With regard to Industrial Consultancy, the NDA shall be executed as per the Standard Template of University or mutually agreed Industry template.

All signed MoUs and NDAs shall be in the repository of Registrar's Office. The Research Division shall coordinate the execution of MoU & NDA process and the concerned Faculty Member or Principal Investigator (PI) shall be requested to contact Director – Research. On behalf of RUAS, the Authorized Signatories for MoUs and NDAs shall be the Registrar and the Vice Chancellor of the University.

## **2. Incentives**

In addition to the Research heritage of successfully completing the Sponsored Research and Industrial Consultancy projects, the Faculty Members are eligible for Incentives. The details of Incentive Policies are as follows:

## 2.1 Incentive Policy for Sponsored Research

The Incentive Policy is explained in Table 2:

**Table 2. Incentive Policy for Completing Sponsored Research Project**

Sl. No.	Value of Sponsored Research Projects	Incentive (%)	Notes
		PI and Team	
1	Grants Awarded for Purchase of Equipment (upto Rs. 50.00 Lakhs)	5 % of Equipment Value	PI may at his/her discretion choose to share the incentive with other staff. RUAS to be advised by PI on such sharing ratios
2	Grants Awarded for Purchase of Equipment (exceeding Rs. 50.00 Lakhs)	7.50% of Equipment Value	

## 2.2 Incentive Policy for Industrial Consultancy

Faculty Members engaged in Consultancy Projects are remunerated for the time spent and depending upon the scope and nature of the work (case to case basis). The Consultancy Policy is drafted on lines similar to Incentive Schemes of Sponsored Research and Training & Life Long Learning Division. Broadly, it is proposed that the net surplus earned from the Consultancy activities be shared in the ratio of 60:40 as between the Investigating Team and the University respectively.

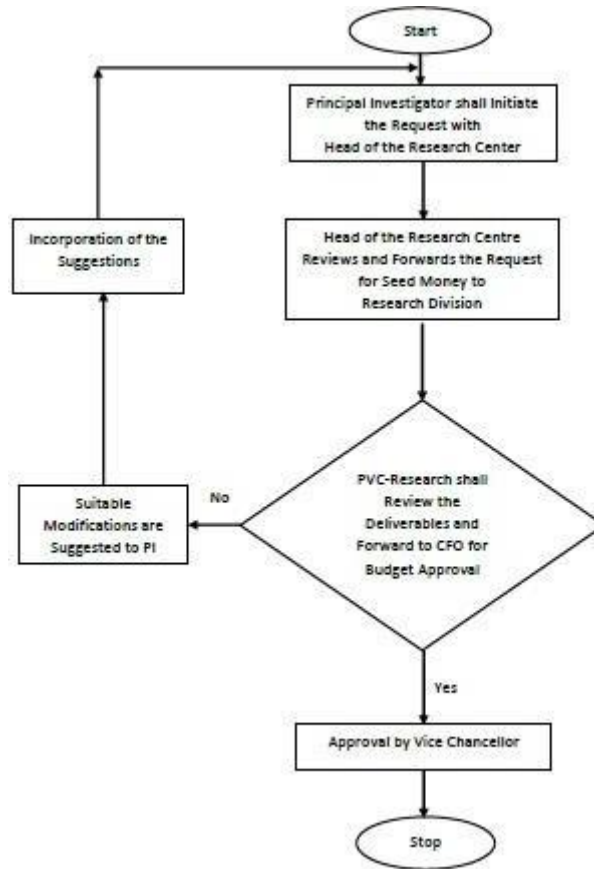
## 3. Fee Concession to Employees

The University is aspiring that all the Faculty Members shall have Doctoral Degree in the Years to come. In view of this, the Faculty Members are encouraged to register for Research Programs of RUAS. Moreover, 50% reduction in the annual tuition fee is offered to the Staff Members of RUAS. More than 100 Faculty Members are currently pursuing Research Programs at the University. Faculty Members may also register for Ph.D. in other Institutions/Universities of repute.

## 4. Seed Money to Initiate Research

The University has two Center of Excellence (AI, ML and Autonomy and Computational Mechanics) and 21 Research Centers. These Centers are inter-disciplinary and Faculty Members are encouraged to have association with at least one of the Research Centers. In order to support preliminary research and protect intellectual interest of Faculty Members,

there is a provision for availing Seed Money from RUAS to carry out research. The application for Seed Money will be applied routed through an appropriate administrative chain (Heads of Research Center/Department, Dean and forwarded for approval to Pro Vice Chancellor's and Vice Chancellor's office). The application for Seed Money is available with the Research Division (Annexure 02). Figure 1 illustrates the process for seeking Seed Money at RUAS:



**Figure 1. Process for Seeking Seed Money**

## 5. Research Centers and Center of Excellence

In order to encourage multi and inter-disciplinary research, the University has created two Center of Excellence (*AI, ML and Autonomy and Computational Mechanics*) and 21 Research Centers. The details of Research Centers and Center of Excellence are as follows:



## 5.1 Research Centers

The University has 21 Research Centers to carry out inter-disciplinary research. Every Faculty Member shall be associated with at least one Research Center. The details of 21 Research Centers include:

- 1 Automotive Technologies Research Centre
- 2 Centre for Aeronautical and Micro Air Vehicles Research
- 3 Energy and Power Systems Research Centre
- 4 Sanitation, Waste Management and Environmental Engineering Research Centre
- 5 Centre for Machine Learning and Computational Intelligence
- 6 Centre for Control Systems and Robotics Research
- 7 Centre for Biomedical Systems and 3D Printing Research
- 8 Centre for Signal Processing and Communication Systems Research
- 9 Structural Design and Analysis Centre
- 10 Composite Materials and Technologies Research Centre
- 11 Research Centre for Contemporary Tools and Techniques in Industrial Design
- 12 Innovation and Entrepreneurship Development Research Centre
- 13 Photonics Research Centre
- 14 Centre for Batteries and Biofuel Research
- 15 Software Engineering and Big Data Modelling Research Centre
- 16 Nutraceutical and Nutrition Research Centre
- 17 Oral Cancer Research Centre
- 18 Biomaterials Research Centre
- 19 Dental and Maxillofacial Modelling and Simulation Centre
- 20 Drug Design and Development Centre
- 21 Pharmacological Modelling and Simulation Centre

## 5.2 Center of Excellence

The main vision of Centre of Excellence (CoE) is to empower, create and synergize research groups across Ramaiah Institutions to address societal relevant problems of National importance. This can be propagated through Ramaiah Group's sustainable research contribution towards

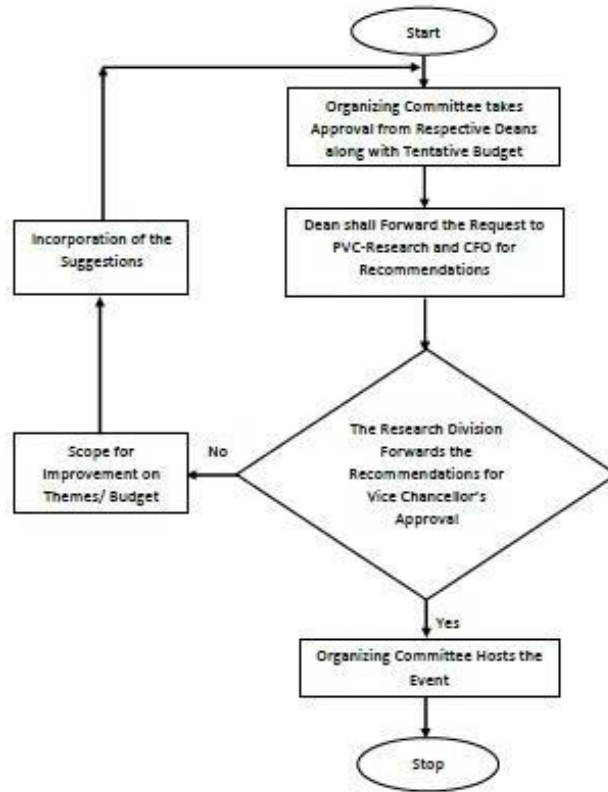
becoming an entity of International Stature and Global Relevance. In view of this, Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences has initiated and set up two CoEs in '**AI, ML and Autonomy**' and '**Computational Mechanics**'. The CoE in Computational Mechanics shall be mentored by Professor J.N. Reddy from Texas A&M University, USA and coordinated by Dr. Rahul M. Cadambi from RUAS. Moreover, Faculty Members across Ramaiah Group of Institutions may also get associated with CoEs.

The main goal of CoEs is to create a financially viable ecosystem using the inter-disciplinary Expertise across Ramaiah Institutions. The main objectives of CoEs include:

- Initiate and lead research on a topic impacting the global relevance by attracting acclaimed Professors/Scholars/Experts/Fellows from other educational Institutions/Universities in India and abroad to enhance the research profile
- Perform independent research and demonstrate the effective research management skills through the formulation of research clusters/groups leading to the scholarly growth of Faculty Members, Post-Doctoral, Doctoral Scholars and PG students across Ramaiah Institutions
- Engage consistently, continuously and proactively in conducting high quality and transformational research by making available the results for peers to set the stage for solving practical/societal problems of national importance
- Encourage, promote and participate in the activities conforming to the Ramaiah Group's Vision by creating an eco-system for interdisciplinary research

## **6. Support for Organizing Events (Conference, Seminars, Workshops etc.)**

The Organizing Committee for the proposed Event shall contact the Research Division to organize Conference, Seminars, Workshop with prior approval from the respective HoD and Dean. Along with the request, a tentative Budget needs to be submitted as per Annexure 03 for conducting the Event. The Budget shall comprise details of Expenses and avenues for Revenue Generation as well as Sponsorships. The Pro Vice Chancellor (Research) and the Chief Financial Officer shall review and send their recommendation to the Vice Chancellor for the final approval. Figure 2 shows the process for providing Support for Organizing Events at RUAS:



**Figure 2. Support for Organizing Events (Conference, Seminars, Workshops etc.)**

## 7. Support for Presenting Papers at Conference

Since many of the Conference organizers make the attendance mandatory for publication of the article, the University shall try to support travel and subsistence of the participant subject to the availability of Funds. The Faculty Members are encouraged to utilize Travel Funds from Sponsored Research, Grants-in-Aid, Collaborative or Consultancy Projects for which they are working instead of depending on Institutional Funds. The application needs to be submitted to the Research Coordinator of the concerned Faculty as per Annexure 04. The categories of support for presenting Papers at Conferences are as follows:

**a) Local Conferences:**

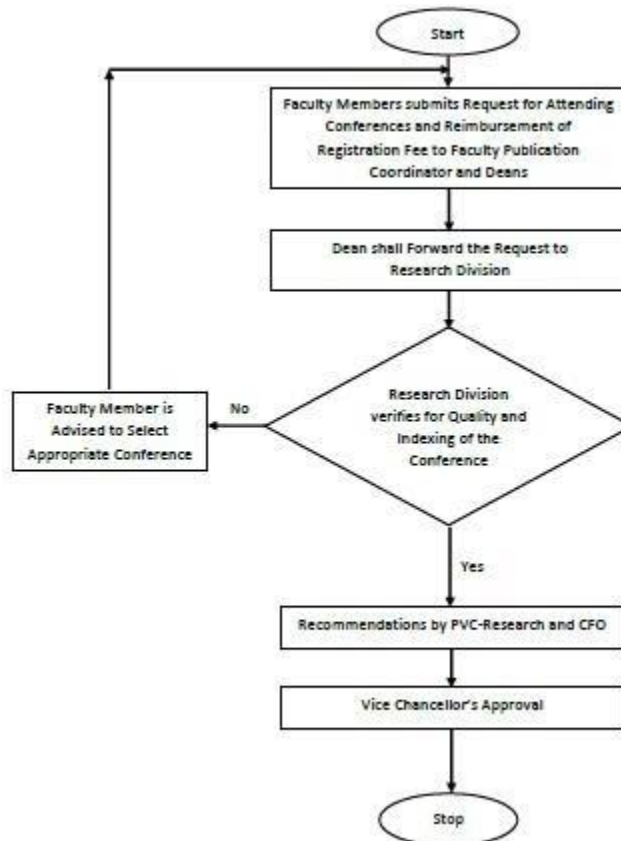
- ✓ Registration amount not exceeding Rs. 5,000/- shall be paid by the University and only the presenter shall be supported
- ✓ All-inclusive subsistence allowance of Rs. 500/- shall be paid per Conference to the presenter. Original receipt for the Registration amount and a self-certified receipt for the subsistence expenditure have to be provided to the Research Coordinator of the concerned Faculty after attending the Conference

**b) National (non-local) Conferences:**

- ✓ Registration amount not exceeding Rs. 5,000/- shall be paid by the University and only the Presenter shall be supported
- ✓ Travelling shall be supported with the limit set at A/C 3 tier train fare by the shortest normal route. After return, the participant shall provide the original receipt of the Registration from the Conference organizers along with copy of the ticket for travel
- ✓ Accommodation and subsistence charges shall be borne by the Presenter

**c) International Conference:**

- ✓ International travel to attend a Conference shall be permitted only if there is a travel grant under Sponsored Research /Consultancy Project sanctioned to the Investigating Team. Therefore, the details of allowances shall be decided on a case by case basis based on the norms set by the Funding or Sponsoring Agency. The flow chart to avail the financial support by the Faculty Members is reported in Fig. 3:



**Figure 3. Financial Support for Faculty Members Attending Conference**

### 8. Examiner Remuneration

Examiners external to RUAS (National/International) shall be invited for reviewing Ph.D. Thesis and serve on the panel of Progress Review Panel (PRP) of the Ph.D. Scholar. In case of reviewing Ph.D. Thesis, the External Examiner (Indian and International) shall be paid an honorarium of Rs. 10,000 for reviewing the Ph.D. Thesis and Rs. 5,000 for serving on the Ph.D. Viva Voce panel. With regard to serving on the PRP panel, a sitting fee of Rs. 2,500 shall be paid per Day to the External Expert. The Research Division shall coordinate and send recommendation for the approval of remuneration to the Chief Financial Officer's office.

### 9. Supervisor Selection for Research Programs

During the Coursework, the Research Division shall provide the Scholar with an Application for the allotment of Research Supervisor. The List of Approved Supervisors of RUAS is available at [http://www.msruas.ac.in/doctoral\\_research](http://www.msruas.ac.in/doctoral_research). The Scholar may review the list

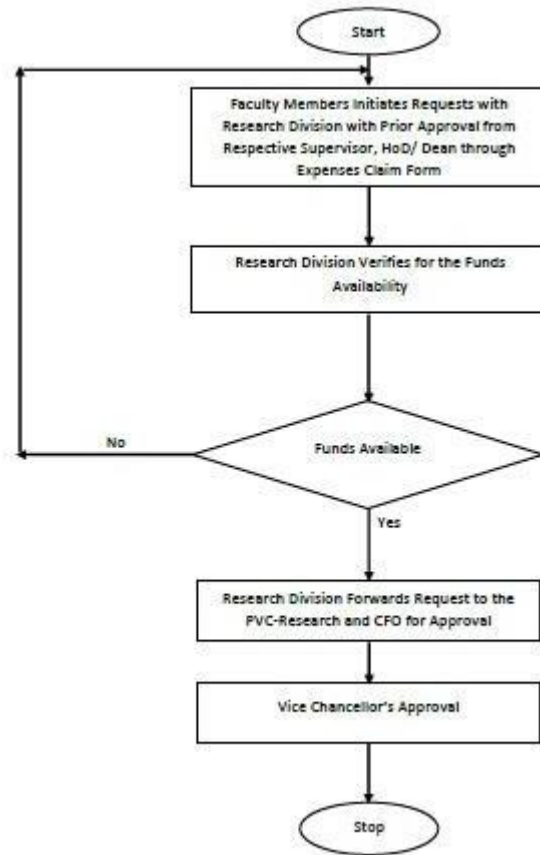
and propose three probable Supervisors based on his/her Specific Topic of Research. After receiving the request from the Scholar, the Research Division shall discuss with probable Supervisors. The Supervisors shall be allotted with the consultation of pertinent Dean, HoD, and the suggested Supervisory list. With the approval of the Pro-Vice Chancellor (Research), an official communication about the allotted Supervisor shall be sent to the Scholar, Supervisor, Faculty Research Coordinators, HoDs and Deans.

#### **10. Submission of Proposals to External Funding Agency**

Intimation of Research Calls shall be communicated by the Research Division to all the Faculty Members of the University. Based on the deadline of the Call, the Principal Investigator (PI) can prepare the proposal and the same may be reviewed by the Expert Team constituted by HoD and Dean. After the review, the updated Proposal is forwarded to the office of Pro Vice Chancellors for the final review. In parallel, the Research Division shall facilitate the PI pertaining to the administrative details and obtaining Declaration from the Head of the Institute.

#### **11. Utilization of Expert Services from External Member/Agency**

The University has made provision to utilize the Expert Services from External Member/Agency to the Faculty Member based on the Funds availability in the Sponsored/Consultancy Project. The External Member/Agency shall furnish the quote for their Services to the University. The Faculty Member shall take approval from Chief Financial Officer for releasing the Purchase Order to the External Member/Agency. The Research Division shall facilitate the approval process based on the Expenses Claim Form as reported in Annexure 05. Figure 4 explains the process for Utilization of External Facility by Faculty Members of RUAS:



**Figure 4. Utilization of External Facility by Faculty Members of RUAS**

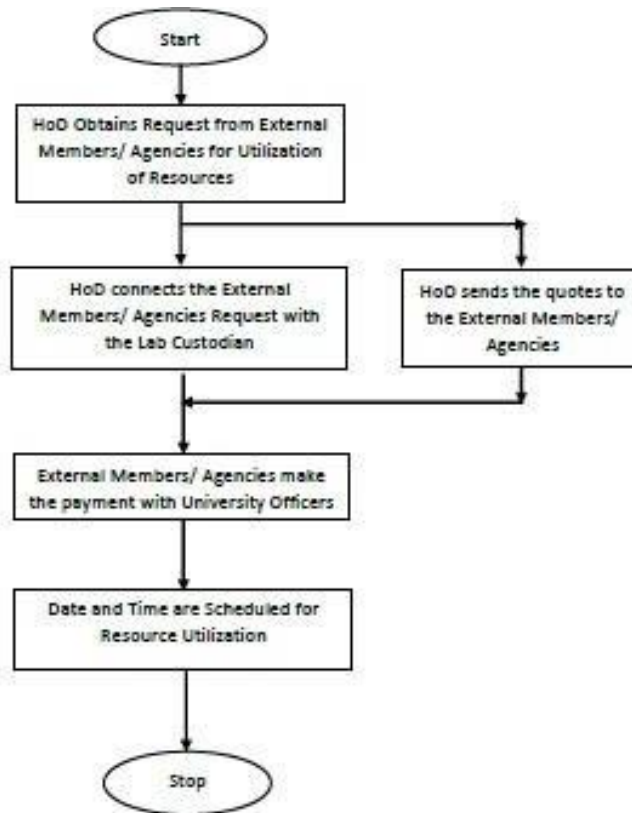
## 12. Accessing External Facilities

Faculty Members may utilize External Facilities for their Research based on the Funds availability in the Sponsored/Consultancy Project. The Faculty Member shall submit the Expenses Claim Form to the Research Division. Based on the availability of Funds, the Research Division forwards the request to Pro Vice Chancellor (Research) and Chief Financial Officer for approval. Either the University may release the Purchase Order or make an online payment to the External Agency depending the request.

## 13. Internal Resource Utilization by Externals

The External Member/Agency may contact the respective HoD for Internal Resource/Equipment Utilization of the University. The HoD in consultation with University Officials shall send the quote to the External Member/Agency. Upon receipt of payment to the University, the HoD shall facilitate the contact between the External Member/Agency

and the associated Laboratory Custodian of RUAS. Based on the mutually convenient date and time, utilization of the Equipment shall be scheduled by the Laboratory Custodian. Figure 5 reports the process of Utilization of Internal Resources by External Members/ Agencies:



**Figure 5. Internal Resources Utilization by External Members/ Agencies**

#### **14. Financial Support to Ph.D. Scholars**

Apart from National and State Fellowships, the University supports the Full Time Ph.D. Scholars in select Faculties/Schools through Teaching and/or Research Assistantship. In addition, all Full Time Scholars are reimbursed INR 20,000 per Year towards the Consumables, Experimental Expenses and Conference Registrations respectively (INR 10,000 under each Category). The Ph.D. Scholars may also be inducted as Junior/Senior Research Fellow if his/her Supervisor has a Sponsored or Industry Consultancy Project. The University is also keen and aspires to expand the Ph.D. Endowment Fund to support all Full Time Ph.D. Scholars in the next couple of years.



## **15. Utilization of Received Grant by the Principal Investigator for Project Execution**

The Principal Investigator (PI) of the Sponsored or Industrial Consultancy Project shall forward the request for utilization of Grant to the Research Division through Expenses Claim Form and Inter Departmental Note. The request for utilization of Grant shall satisfy the allotted Funds under approved Headings/Sub-Headings of the Sanction Letter issued by the Funding Agency. The Research Division verifies the details submitted by the PI and then forwards the request to the office of Pro Vice Chancellor (Research) and Chief Financial Officer for approval. Based on the approval, payment or reimbursement of Expenses shall be carried out by the Accounts Department.

## Annexures

## **Annexure – 01**

### **Template for Invention Disclosure**

- 1. Title of Invention:**
- 2. Names of Inventors (Sur Name, Middle Name, First Name) with Name of Department/Faculty with E-mail Id:**
- 3. Date of Reporting of Invention:**
- 4. Brief Summary of Invention:**
- 5. Detailed Description of Invention with detailed information including Drawings/Flow Chart/Results:**
- 6. Discussion of Novelty of the Invention and the advantages of the solution the invention provides:**
- 7. Complete Details of Prior art or Published literature which are closely related to the proposed invention and how the proposed invention is different from the existing solutions:**
- 8. Possible short term and long term commercial applications:**
- 9. Details of competing products (if any):**

**Signatures of all Inventors with Date:**

## Annexure – 02

### Application for Seeking Seed Money for Initiating Research at the Research Centre

<b>Name of the Research Centre</b>				
<b>Head of the Research Centre</b>				
<b>Funds Requested</b>				
<b>The scope of the Research for which the seed money is being sought</b>	1. 2. 3.			
<b>Breakup of the Requested Seed Money</b>				
Sl. No.	Items to be Procured with Technical Specifications	Unit Price in Rs.	Total Quantity Required in Nos.	Total Estimated Cost in Rs.
1.	Equipment			
2.	Consumables			
3.	Glass wares			
4.	Fabrication			
5.	Laboratory Testing Services			
6.	Biological Specimens			
7.	Others (Pl. Specify)			
<b>Grand Total [Should Not Exceed Three Lakhs]</b>				
<b>Earliest date when the requested items to be made available</b>				<b>Date</b>
<b>Signature of the Subgroup Team Leaders</b>		1. 2. 3. 4.		<b>Date</b>
<b>Signature of Head of the Research Centre</b>				<b>Date</b>

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<b>Recommendation By:</b>		
<b>Research Division (PVC-Research)</b>		
	<b>Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>Comments By:</b>	<b>Registrar</b>	<b>Vice Chancellor</b>
<b>Signature</b>		
<b>Date</b>		

## Annexure – 03

### Budget Format for Conducting Events (Conferences, Seminars etc.)

Proposed Budget for \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Research Center/Department:

Head of the Research Center/Department/Faculty:

Incharge:

Sl. No.	Expenditure (A)				Revenue (B)					
	Item Description	Quantity in Nos	Unit Price in INR	Total in INR	Quantity in Nos	Unit Price in INR	Gross Amount in INR	GST 18%	Net Amount in INR	
1.										
2.										
3.										
4.										
5.										
6.										
			Total				Total			
	<b>Grand Total</b>	Revenue (B) – Expenditure (A) = _____					Total Income in			
							INR			

Date:

Place: Bangalore

Signature of Chair – Organizing Committee

Approved by PVC (Research)

## Annexure – 04

### Ramaiah University of Applied Sciences

University House, Gnanagangothri Campus, New BEL Road, MSR Nagar, Bangalore – 560 054

#### Permission for Attending a Conference/Workshop/Symposium

The applicant should fill this form and submit the application along with the enclosures to in the Office of the Research Department; Don't erase any print from the form and use 'strike off' option if not applicable.

Name, Designation & ID Number :

Department :

Title of the Conference/  
Workshop/ Seminar :

Place : Date : Duration :

Type of Presentation : Invited / Oral / Poster / Participation

Have you got permission to publish  
the work ? The reference no &  
Date of clearance :

Particulars of Conference/  
Workshop/Seminar attended in  
the current financial year :

Expenses:

Details		MSRUAS Contribution	Other Contribution
a.	Registration Fee		
b.	TA		
Total			

Project No (if to be debited from Project Funding):

Budget head:

Place:

Date :

PI Name:

Applicant

**Approved/ Not Approved/  
Payment of registration fee sanctioned**

**Information recorded by  
Research Division**

<b>Initiated by</b>	<b>Comments</b>	<b>Signature</b>
Faculty Publication Coordinator		
Head of the Department (HoD)		
Dean's Office		
PVC's Office		
Account's Office		

<b>Initiated by</b>	Scholar / Faculty member	<b>Submitted to</b>	Head
<b>Routed through</b>	Supervisor, Head of the Department, Research and Finance Dept	<b>Custodian of the Document</b>	Head
<b>Copies to</b>	Scholar, HOD		
<b>Enclosures</b>	Abstract Copy of the letter of invitation / acceptance Conference pamphlet / website Clearance letter issued by the Office of the research Department for publication If no paper is presented, justification for participation		
<b>Notes</b>	1. Please submit the filled in form at the Office of the Research Dept for approval 2. Preference will be given to the presenting author 3. Payment for registration and travel is subject to availability of funds		



## Annexure – 05

### Expenses/Advance Claim Form

Expenses/Advance Claim Form (For Sponsored Research and Consultancy Projects)								
Title of the Project / Ref. No.								
Head of Expenses/Advance								
Amount Claimed/Requested in INR (in this Bill)								
Sl. No.	Approved Heads	Amount in INR					Bill Details	
		Overall Approved Budget (A)	Spent Till Date (B)	Funds Available Now (C)	This Bill Amount (D)	Remaining Fund Available E=(C-D)	Supplier Name	Invoice Ref.
1								
2								
3								
<b>Self Declaration</b>								
<p>I, _____, Principal Investigator/s of the above mentioned Project is fully aware of the rules relating to Reimbursement/s of expenses against the above referred Sponsored Research Project. This claim is in compliance with the terms and conditions of the Sanction Letter. I certify that the claimed Expenses are related to the above mentioned Sponsored Research Project and, in the event, any discrepancies are found &amp; notified to University in future, I as PI and/or the Investigating Team accept responsibility to reimburse the unapproved part of the claim to the University.</p>								
Signature of the PI		Payment Approval by Pro Vice Chancellor (Research)						
Date		Date						