



Netaji Subhas University

Research & Development Cell

Research & Innovation Policy

1. Preamble

This policy aims to foster a vibrant research ecosystem that promotes innovation, scholarly output, and societal impact. It is aligned with national research priorities, Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and the vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat, NEP 2020 and Innovate India initiatives.

2. Objectives

- Promote interdisciplinary and impactful research
- Establish robust research infrastructure
- Encourage innovation, IPR generation, and entrepreneurship
- Support faculty and student engagement in high-quality research
- Develop collaborative partnerships with industry, academia and government
- Ensure ethical and responsible research practices

3. Scope

This policy applies to all faculty, researchers and students, as well as departments, centers and research labs. It also covers collaborators working under Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) or funded schemes.

4. Governance Structure

The governance framework includes the following bodies:

- **University Research Council (URC):** Apex decision-making body chaired by the Vice Chancellor
- **Research & Development Cell (RDC):** Operational unit led by Dean Research

- **Departmental Research Advisory Committees (DRAC):** Department-level review and monitoring
- **Research Ethics Committees (REC):** Ensures research is conducted responsibly, ethically and in compliance with established guidelines to protect participants and uphold research & scientific integrity.
- **University Animal Ethics Committee:** Ensures ethical compliance relating to research involving human or animals
- **Innovation & Incubation Cell (IIC):** Promotes startups, patents, and innovation ideas.

5. Key Focus Areas

- Basic and applied research
- Societal and sustainable development research
- Technology development and translational research
- Industry-driven R&D
- Innovation and entrepreneurship
- Humanities and social sciences research