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measures for teaching and nonteaching staff and avenues for career
development/progression

# **Financial Support Policy**

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#### **Preamble:**

Atmiya University (AU) is committed to the professional growth and development of its staff, recognizing that a well-equipped and motivated team is crucial for achieving institutional excellence. In line with this commitment, the University has developed a comprehensive Financial Support Policy for Staff to provide financial assistance for participation in Faculty Development Programs (FDP), Management Development Programs (MDP), Staff Development Programs (SDP), and Capacity Building Programs (CBP). Additionally, this policy supports staff in sharing knowledge and expertise through various academic and professional platforms, as well as engaging in consultancy services that align with the University's objectives of knowledge dissemination and community service. By encouraging active engagement in professional development activities and facilitating knowledge-sharing and consultancy opportunities, AU aims to create a dynamic and progressive environment that fosters continuous learning, innovation, and collaboration.

#### Scope:

This **Financial Support Policy for Staff** applies to all regular faculty and staff members of Atmiya University (AU) seeking financial assistance for participation in Faculty Development Programs (FDP), Management Development Programs (MDP), Staff Development Programs (SDP), Capacity Building Programs, Knowledge Sharing initiatives, Consultancy activities, and various resource mobilization efforts. The policy also encompasses budgeting processes, scholarship and freeship provisions for employee kids, as well as resource mobilization from Government Organizations (GOs) and Non-Governmental Organizations (NGOs). The policy covers the following:

- Faculty Development, Management Development, and Staff Development Programs: Financial support for attending local, national, and international training, workshops, seminars, and conferences aimed at enhancing the professional skills and knowledge of staff members.
- Capacity Building Programs: Support for participation in programs designed to enhance the capabilities of staff, particularly those in leadership and administrative roles, to contribute more effectively to the University's development.
- Knowledge Sharing: Financial assistance for staff members presenting results in the staff members presenting results.

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- 4. **Consultancy Services:** Financial support for staff members engaging in consultancy services, whether individually or through the University, that align with the University's mission and provide value to both the institution and external stakeholders.
- 5. Government (Go) and NGO Resource Mobilization: Support for staff involved in mobilizing resources from government agencies and NGOs for institutional growth, research initiatives, community outreach programs, and projects aligned with AU's mission. This includes securing research grants, project funding, and community development contributions.
- 6. **Scholarships and Free-ships:** The policy covers financial assistance related to scholarships and free-ships for eligible staff, promoting equal access to educational opportunities and supporting academic achievement.
- 7. Budgeting and Resource Allocation: The policy frameworks budgeting processes for allocating financial resources to various programs, ensuring transparent and equitable distribution based on the University's priorities. It emphasizes effective resource utilization for staff development and institutional growth.
- 8. **Exclusions:** This policy does not cover participation in events or programs that are not aligned with the staff member's role or the University's academic and institutional objectives. It also does not include support for personal or recreational events.

This comprehensive policy is designed to support the professional and academic growth of AU's staff while promoting effective resource utilization, fostering institutional excellence, and facilitating the continued development of the University.

#### **Objectives:**

- 1. Facilitate Professional Growth: Provide financial support to staff members attending relevant Faculty Development, Management Development, Staff Development, and Capacity Building Programs, empowering them with new skills, knowledge, and capabilities that enhance their professional effectiveness and contribute to the University's academic and administrative excellence.
- 2. **Promote Knowledge Sharing:** Encourage staff to actively participate in academic and professional events and share the knowledge gained with their peers, fostering a culture of continuous learning and collaborative growth within the University.
- 3. Encourage Consultancy Engagement: Support staff in engaging in consultancy services that leverage their expertise to contribute to both institutional growth and

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societal benefit, while also generating additional income and strengthening the University's connections with industry and community stakeholders.

- 4. **Strengthen Institutional Reputation:** Enhance the professional development of staff through training and development opportunities, ultimately contributing to the University's reputation for academic rigor, innovation, and community engagement.
- 5. Ensure Accessibility and Inclusivity: Ensure that all eligible staff members, regardless of their position, have access to these opportunities, promoting a fair and equitable distribution of resources to support professional development across the institution.
- 6. **Support Institutional Goals:** Align staff development initiatives with the broader goals of the University, including promoting quality education, leadership, research, and community service, ensuring that each staff member's growth contributes to AU's mission and vision.



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### (A) Staff Participation Sub Policy

#### **Eligibility Criteria**

Any regular faculty member or non-teaching staff who upholds a good code of conduct, and moral character and has successfully completed the probation period of continuous service at the University is eligible for financial support under this policy.

#### **Types of Events**

Financial support is provided for faculty members attending National/State/University level & International Level in India, academic conferences, workshops, seminars, and other relevant professional gatherings. Faculty members are encouraged to present their research or findings at such events, where applicable, to maximize the benefits of their participation.

#### **Application Process**

- Faculty members wishing to apply for financial assistance have to submit their applications using the prescribed form.
- The application should include details about the event, including the conference or seminar title, dates, location, purpose and supported by invitation/brochure, registration and itinerary or any other document or information asked by the university.

#### Permission

• Permission is granted based on the selection for the program. The department have to make necessary arrangements to ensure the smooth conduction of academic and other responsibilities of the applicant during their absence.

#### Funding

- The financial support policy specifies that expenses related to registration fees, travel, and accommodation for the events covered up to ₹10,000.
- International Travel Grants shall be approved through a resolution passed by the sponsoring body and the governing body of the university, in alignment with the guidelines set by regulatory authorities.

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#### **Advance/Reimbursement Procedures**

- Advance amount is approved & released as per the procedure of the university.
- Reimbursement is processed upon submission of expenditure statement along with payment receipts and a participation/completion certificate from the event organizers, approved by HoD / Dean /Director.

#### **Recipients' Responsibilities**

- The staff member have to submit a self-attested copy of participation certificate / attendance certificate, and a brief report of the event.
- Key findings from the event should be shared with the department and, if applicable, with the broader university community through various platforms.
- Staff members will have to acknowledge the Atmiya University in their Publications.

#### **Intellectual Property Rights:**

• The intellectual property rights for any work, innovation, or research output shall solely belong to Atmiya University (AU). Proper credit sharing and acknowledgment to be attributed to Atmiya University in all intellectual property documentation, publication and dissemination.



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#### **(B) Sharing Sub Policy**

#### **Objective:**

The purpose of this policy is to establish clear guidelines for organizing and managing Faculty Development Programs (FDPs), Training Programs, and Workshops, particularly those involving external participants. It ensures a structured, transparent, and equitable approach to planning, financial management, and resource allocation while promoting the professional growth of faculty and enhancing the university's educational environment.

#### **Step-by-Step Procedures for Permission & Claims**

#### Planning and Permission

#### • Covering Permission Letter:

 A letter addressed to the Vice Chancellor, including comments from the Head of Department (HoD) and Dean, and verification by the Registrar. The letter should outline the background of the program, detailing how it was conceived or initiated at the university.

#### • Concept Note of the Program:

- Program title, purpose, and scope (including internal and external participation).
- Duration, including number of days and hours per day.
- Registration fees for internal and external participants.
- Expected outcomes of the program.

#### • **Program Schedule:**

 Detailed program with session topics, dates, hours, and identification of internal or external sessions.

#### • Budget Proposal:

- A budget proposal in the format AU/SP/FDP-I (Attached as Annexure-
  - *I*), detailing projected income and expenses for the event.

#### **Post-Event Submissions**

- **Report of the Program:** 
  - Detailed schedule with resource persons' names, signed participant attendance sheets, feedback from participants and resource persons, and geotagged photos with captions.

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#### • Financial Documentation:

- Income and expenditure statement, following format AU/SP/FDP-II (Attached as Annexure-II).
- Photocopies of distributed certificates and a list of participants with paid fees (signed by participants and organizer).

#### • Supporting Documents:

- Presentations or materials from the program.
- Submission checklist format AU/SP/FDP-III (*Attached as Annexure-III*) ensuring all required documents are provided.
- Covering Letter:
  - A letter including all enclosures related to permissions and post-event documentation.

#### • Intellectual Property Rights:

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#### Claim Process

• Income and Expenditure Statements:

The organizer submits the actual income and expenditure statement within one week post-program. This will be verified and processed by the Finance Department.

#### • Revenue Sharing Guidelines:

After covering expenses, any remaining balance is shared according to the following distribution:

- If the program was initiated by a faculty member and coordinated with departmental assistance:
  - University 25% : Department 15% : Individual 60%
- If the program was initiated by the university and coordinated by faculty:
  - University 50% : Department 20% : Individual 30%



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#### • Accounting Heads:

- Separate accounts under "Sharing Policy University," "Sharing Policy Individual," and "Sharing Policy – Department," with sub-headings for faculty involved.
- Transfers to individual accounts should occur within ten days of document receipt.

#### • Annual Financial Reporting:

 All transactions will have to reflected in the annual audited financial statements under "Consultancy" Head.

#### **Checklist for Documentation**

To ensure all required documentation is submitted, the following checklist must be completed:

- 1. Covering Permission Letter
- 2. Concept Note
- 3. Program Schedule
- 4. Budget Proposal
- 5. Program Report
- 6. Income and Expenditure Statement
- 7. Photocopies of Distributed Certificates
- 8. Participant List (with fees paid and signatures)
- 9. Program Presentations/Materials
- 10. Final Covering Letter (post-event)



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#### (C) Consultancy & Revenue Generation Sub Policy

#### **Objectives**

Atmiya University encourages faculty and staff to engage in consultancy activities to foster industry collaboration, knowledge exchange, and institutional growth. This policy ensures a structured approach to planning, execution, and financial management of consultancy work, adhering to principles of transparency, accountability, and equitable resource sharing.

#### **Consultancy Area**

- 1. Analytical & Synthetic CIF
- 2. Soil Analysis and Soil Health Card
- 3. Antimicrobial & Tissue Culture activities
- 4. Skill centres Sarjan, Samarth, Parivartan, Niramay, Pravartnam, Satyakam etc...
- 5. Library & Learning Centre
- 6. Material & Soil Testing
- 7. Environment/Green Audit Industry & Institution
- 8. Energy Audit

#### Step by Step Procedures for Conducting Consultancy Work

#### **Planning & Permission**

- a. Covering Permission Letter:
  - Addressed to the Vice Chancellor.
  - Includes comments from the HoD and Dean of Faculty.
  - Verified by the Deputy Registrar/Registrar.
  - Specifies whether the consultancy was brought by or conceived by the faculty/university.

#### b. Concept Note of Consultancy Activity:

- Details of how the contact was established (faculty/university).
- Title of the consultancy.
- Name and address of the client organization.
- Consultant and co-consultant names, designations, and departments.
- Liaison officer's details from the client organization.
- Defined need and scope of work as per the client's requirements.
- Project duration, approved by the client organization.
- Consultancy amount and payment terms.
- Expected outcomes.
- c. Consultancy Proposal with Schedule:



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- Overview of the consultancy activity.
- Major goals and deliverables.
- Planned strategy toward completion.
- Roles and responsibilities of team members.
- Start and completion dates.
- Any additional details.

#### d. Budget Proposal:

• Submitted as per format AU/SP/CW-I (Attached as Annexure-IV)

#### **Post-Activity Submissions**

- Final report of consultancy activity.
- Actual income and expenditure statements AU/SP/CW-II (Attached as Annexure-V).
- Copy of the report submitted to the client organization.
- Checklist of submissions AU/SP/CW-III (Attached as Annexure-VI)
- Covering letter including all enclosures from Steps 1 and 2.

#### **Claim Process**

#### 1. Income and Expenditure Submission:

• Consultant submits the actual income and expenditure statement AU/SP/CW-II (*Attached as Annexure-V*) within two weeks of project completion.

#### 2. Verification and Fund Distribution:

• Verified statements are processed, and funds are distributed within 10 days of receiving all documents.

#### a. Sharing Guidelines:

- If contact brought by/conceived by faculty and coordinated by the faculty with departmental support:
  - University: 40% | Individual: 60%
- If contact brought by/conceived by the university and coordinated by the faculty with departmental support:
  - University: 60% | Individual: 40%
- In consultancy projects involving genuinely needy students, the revenue share be determined based on the nature of the project and the number of students approved for participation.

#### **b.** Account Management:

- Separate heads of accounts:
  - "Consultancy University."



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- o "Consultancy Individual."
- Individual accounts reflect credits and debits for consultancy income and transferred amounts.

#### 3. Audited Reports:

 All transactions will have to reflect in the annual audited financial statements under "Consultancy" Head.

#### 4. Intellectual Property Rights:

The intellectual property rights for any work, innovation, or research output shall solely belong to Atmiya University (AU). Proper credit sharing and acknowledgment to be attributed to Atmiya University in all intellectual property documentation, publication and dissemination.

#### Conclusion

The Finance support policy establishes a comprehensive and transparent framework for managing the financial operations of Atmiya University. By adhering to government norms and promoting equitable resource distribution, the policy ensures effective mobilization, utilization, and accountability of funds. Its structured approach to budgeting, financial support, consultancy, and revenue-sharing mechanisms fosters professional growth, supports academic and research excellence, and contributes to the university's sustainability and societal impact. Through these guidelines, the policy strengthens financial integrity while advancing Atmiya University's vision of holistic education and transformative learning.

#### **Revision & Amendment**

- The policy & its sub policies shall undergo a comprehensive review and revision every three years. Additionally, need-based addenda or annexures may be incorporated as and when required to address specific requirements or evolving circumstances.
- The President reserves the right to amend, modify, or update the policy document at any time, as deemed necessary, to align with institutional goals, regulatory requirements, or evolving circumstances.

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#### Annexures

#### **Annexure-I – Budget Proposal (Sharing Policy)**

Format - AU/SP/FDP-I

**Sharing Policy** 

## Organizing & Conducting FDPs/ Training Programmes/ Workshops only with Inclusion of External Participants

S. No. X	Particulars	Projected Inco Rs.	ome (M)	Proje Expenditu	Balance	
		Details	Total	Details	Total	<b>Rs.</b> (O)
	Income/Sponsor					
X1	Registration Fee	No x $RF=(a)$	(a)			
X2	Sponsors					
		Total				
Y	Recurring Expenses					
Y1	Remuneration					
	Internal RP			S x 150		
	External RP			S x 300		
Y2	Promotional					
	Material/ Stationary/					
	<i>Certificates</i> (Min.					
	expenditure)					
Y3	Hospitality expenses					
	(if any)					
Y4	Contingency expenses					
	(if any)					
				Total		
Z	Projected Balance					M-N=O

Budget Proposal

<u>Proposed by</u> <u>Faculty</u> <u>Member</u>	<u>Verified &amp;</u> <u>Comments by</u> <u>HoD</u>	<u>Comments by</u> <u>Dean</u>	<u>Verified by Dy.</u> <u>Registrar</u>	<u>Approved by</u> <u>Vice</u> <u>Chancellor</u>
Signature with	Signature with	Signature with	Signature with	Signator with Date Name:
Date	Date	Date	Date	
Name:	Name:	Name:	Name:	

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#### Annexure-II – I & E Statement (Sharing Policy)

Format - AU/SP/FDP-II

#### **Sharing Policy**

#### **Organizing & Conducting FDPs/ Training Programmes/ Workshops**

#### only with Inclusion of External Participants

#### **Income & Expenditure Statement**

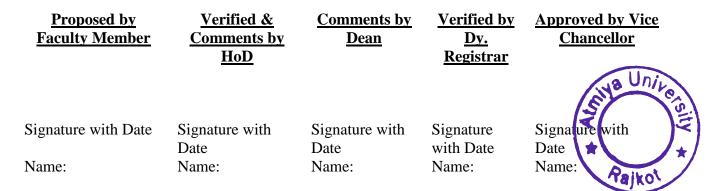
- 1. Name of the Event/Program:
- 2. Date/Dates:

- 5. **Conceived by:** 
  - Bank details of individual 6. a.

- 3. Name of Organizer:
- 4. Department & Faculty:

- Name:
- **Bank Name:** b.
- **IFSC:** c.

S. No.	Particulars	Actual Income (M)		Actual Expenditure (N)		Balance Rs.
		Details	Total	Details	Total	(0)
Х	Income/Sponsor					
X1	Registration Fee	No x RF= (a)	(a)			
X2	Sponsors					
		Total				
Y	Recurring Expenses					
Y1	Remuneration					
	Internal RP			S x 150		
	External RP			S x 300		
Y2	PromotionalMaterial/Stationary/Certificates(Min. expenditure)					
Y3	<i>Hospitality expenses</i> (if any)					
Y4	<i>Contingency expenses</i> (if any)					
				Total		
Ζ	Projected Balance					M-N=O



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#### **Sharing of Balance**

S. Bala		University		Department (if applicable)			Individual			
N 0.	nce (Rs.)	Sha re %	Amo unt Rs.	Transfe rred on	Sha re %	Amo unt Rs.	Transfe rred on	Sha re %	Amo unt Rs.	Transfe rred on

Verified by Accounts/Audit Department Approved by A&FO

Signature with Date:

Signature with Date:



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#### **Annexure-III – Checklist (Sharing Policy)**

Format AU/SP/FDP-III

## Organizing & Conducting FDP's/ Training Programmes/ Workshops only with Inclusion of External Participants

Checklist

Name of the Event:

**Department:** 

Name of the Organizer:

**Date of Event:** 

S. No.	Particulars	Tick Box	Remarks
1	Covering Permission Letter		
2	Concept Note of Programme		
3	Programme Schedule		
4	Budget of Proposal		
5	Report of Programme		
6	Actual Income & Expenditure Statement		
7	Photocopies of Certificates distributed		
8	List of participants with fees paid & signed by them & organizer.		
9	Copy of presentation/ Material		
10	Covering letter once again post event with all above.		

Submitted by Organizer Comments by HoD Verified by Dy. Registrar Approved by Registrar

Signature with Date: Name: Signature with Date: Name: Signature with Date:

Name:



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#### Annexure – IV – Budget Proposal (Consultancy Policy)

#### Format - AU/SP/CW-I

#### **Conducting Consultancy Work**

#### **Budget Proposal**

S. No.	Particulars	Proje Incom Rs	e (M)	Projected Expenditure (N) Rs.		Balance Rs. (O)	
		Details	Total	Details	Total		
Α	Income/Sponsor						
A1	Consultancy Amount						
A2	Other (specify)						
	Total A						
В	Recurring Expenses						
B1	Equipment other than computer and related (list with justification in Annexure)						
B2	Computer and related items (list with justification in Annexure)						
B3	Others (specify)						
	Total B						
С	Recurring Expenses						
C1	Field / Research /Technical Assistant						
	nos x Rs p.m						
C2	Consumables						
C3	TA & DA						
C4	Contingency Expenses						
C5	Stationary & Report						
C6	Overhead Charges (5 to 15 %) on total expenses						
C7	Consultancy Honorarium						
C8	Co-Consultancy Honorarium						
C9	Others (specify)						
	Total C						
D	Projected Balance {A-(B+C)}						

Name and Signature:

Consultant

#### **Co-Consultant**

Proposed by Faculty <u>Member</u> Verified & Comments by HoD Comments by Dean

<u>Verified by Dy.</u> <u>Registrar</u> <u>Approved by Vice</u> <u>Chancellor</u>

Signature with Date Name:

Signature with Date Name:

Signature with Date Name:

Signature with Date Name:



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#### Annexure – V – I & E Statement (Consultancy Policy)

#### Format - AU/SP/CW-II

#### **Conducting Consultancy Work**

#### **Income & Expenditure Statement**

- 1. Consultancy Title:
- 2. Conceived by:
- 3. Department & Faculty:
- 4. Name of Consultant:
- 5. Name of Co-Consultant:
- 6. Name of client organization:
- 7. Bank details of Consultant
  - a. Name:
  - b. Bank Name:
  - c. Bank Account
  - Number:
  - d. IFSC:

Bank details of Co-Consultant a. Name: b. Bank Name: c. Bank Account Number: d. IFSC:

S. No.	Particulars	Projected Income (M) Rs.		Projected Expenditure (N) Rs.		Balance Rs. (O)	
		Details	Total	Details	Total		
А	Income/Sponsor						
A1	Consultancy						
	Amount						
A2	Other (specify)						
	Total A						
B	Recurring						
	Expenses						
B1	Equipment other						
	than computer and						
	related						
	(list with						
	justification in						
	Annexure)						
B2	Computer and						
	related items (list						
	with justification						
	in Annexure)						
B3	Others (specify)						
	Total B						
С	Recurring						
	Expenses						
C1	Field / Research					- Thing Ur	"
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	Assistant					(▼(	
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C2	Consumables	 		
C3	TA & DA	 		
C4	Contingency	 		
	Expenses			
C5	Stationary &	 		
	Report			
C6	Overhead Charges	 		
	(5 to 15 %) on			
	total expenses			
C7	Consultancy	 		
	Honorarium			
C8	Co-Consultancy	 		
	Honorarium			
C9	Others (specify)	 		
	Total C	 		
D	Projected	 	 	
	Balance {A-			
	(B+C)}			

<u>Proposed by</u> Faculty Member	<u>Verified &amp;</u> <u>Comments by</u> <u>HoD</u>	<u>Comments by</u> <u>Dean</u>	<u>Verified by Dy.</u> <u>Registrar</u>	Approved by Vice Chancellor
Signature with	Signature with	Signature with	Signature with	Signature with
Date	Date	Date	Date	Date
Name:	Name:	Name:	Name:	Name:

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**Sharing of Balance** 

S. N o.	Bala nce (Rs.)	University			Department (if applicable)			Individual		
		Sha re %	Amo unt Rs.	Transfe rred on	Sha re %	Amo unt Rs.	Transfe rred on	Sha re %	Amo unt Rs.	Transfe rred on

Verified by Accounts/Audit Department

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Approved by A&FO

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Signature with Date:

Signature with Date:

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#### Annexure – VI – Check List (Consultancy Policy)

#### Format - AU/SP/CW-III

#### **Conducting Consultancy Work**

#### Checklist

#### **Consultancy Title:**

#### **Department:**

#### Name of the Consultant:

#### Date:

S. No.	Particulars	Tick Box	Remarks
1	Covering Permission Letter		
2	Concept Note of Consultancy Activity		
3	Consultancy Proposal with Schedule		
4	Budget		
5	Documents from Client Organization regarding work proposed, norms & conditions, payment terms, etc. (as applicable)		
6	Letter of acceptance		
7	Letter of confirmation from Client Organization		
8	Completion report		
9	Actual Income & Expenditure Statement		
10	Details of Payment from Client Organization		
11	Abstracts of Financial Claims		

Submitted by Consultant

**Comments by HoD** 

Verified by Dy. Registrar Approved by Registrar

Signature with Date:

Signature with Date: Signature with Date:

Signature with Date:



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