

 **GONDWANA UNIVERSITY, GADCHIROLI.**

DIRECTION NO. 12 OF 2019

(Issued u/s. 12 (8) of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016.)

PLAGIARISM DIRECTION, 2019.

(Under section 60 (f) of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016.)

Whereas, the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016 has been made applicable to the Gondwana University, Gadchiroli with effect from 1st March 2017 (Hereinafter referred to as the Act.);

AND

Whereas, section 34(2) of the Act provides that the University shall have faculties namely, Faculty of Science and Technology, Faculty of Commerce and Management, Faculty of Humanities, and Faculty of Inter-Disciplinary Studies;

AND

Whereas, the Vice-Chancellor, under provision of section 12(8) of the Act, had issued Direction for prescribing the faculties in the University which were provided under the Act;

AND

Whereas, the Secretary, University Grants Commission, New Delhi vide Letter No. D.O. No.F.1-18/2010(CPP-II) dated 6th August 2018 had issued guidelines for UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Education Institutions) Regulations, 2018. These Regulations are as notified in the official gazette of India No. 287, Part III-Section 4 dated 31st July, 2018;

AND

Whereas, considering the guidelines received from the University Grants Commission, New Delhi and of the Four faculties by the Act;

AND

Whereas, in the light of guidelines received from the University Grants Commission, New Delhi that the each faculty provided under the Act is bound by the said UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Education Institutions) Regulations, 2018;

Now, therefore, I, Dr. N. V. Kalyankar, Vice-Chancellor, Gondwana University, Gadchiroli in exercise of the powers conferred upon me under provision of sub-section (8) of the section 12 of the Maharashtra Public Universities Act, 2016, do hereby issue following Directions.:-

1. This Direction may be called "Plagiarism Direction, 2019."
2. This Direction shall come into force from the date of its issuance.
3. In this Direction, unless the context otherwise requires: -
 - a. "Academic Integrity" is the intellectual honesty in proposing, performing and reporting any activity, which leads to the creation of intellectual property;
 - b. "Author" includes a student or a faculty or a researcher or staff of Higher Educational Institution(HEI) who claims to be the creator of the work under consideration;
 - c. "Commission" means the University Grants Commission as defined in the University Grants Commission Act, 1956;
 - d. "Common Knowledge" means a well-known fact, quote, figure or information that is known to most of the people;
 - e. "Degree" means any such degree specified by the University Grants Commission, by notification in the Official Gazette, under section 22 of the University Grants Commission Act, 1956;
 - f. "Departmental Academic Integrity Panel" shall mean the body constituted at the departmental level to investigate allegations of plagiarism;
 - g. "Faculty" refers to a person who is teaching and/or guiding students enrolled in an HEI in any capacity whatsoever i.e. regular, ad-hoc, guest, temporary, visiting etc;
 - h. "Higher Educational Institution(HEI)" means a university recognized under section 2(f) of the UGC Act, 1956 or an institution deemed to be university under section 3 of the UGC Act, 1956 or an affiliating college/ institution or a constituent unit of a university;
 - i. "Information" includes data, message, text, images, sound, voice, codes, computer programs, software and databases or microfilm or computer generated microfiche;
 - j. "Institutional Academic Integrity Panel" shall mean the body constituted at Institutional level to consider recommendations of the departmental academic integrity panel and take appropriate decisions in respect of allegations of plagiarism and decide on penalties to be imposed. In exceptional cases, it shall investigate allegations of plagiarism at the institutional level;