

**R & D Division****AUD RESEARCH PUBLICATION INCENTIVE SCHEME****INTRODUCTION**

The National Educational Policy 2020 (NEP 2020) envisages best teaching and learning processes at the higher education level in environments where there is a strong culture of research and knowledge creation. It lays emphasis on research and innovations in the arts, humanities, social science, and natural sciences. It is, therefore, extremely important to produce high quality research across fields based on one's own research ability. Initiatives to develop such a culture of research and innovation in State Universities are to be taken through suitable incentives for and recognition of outstanding research

The design intent of the incentive scheme below is to motivate, encourage and recognise quality research at Dr. B.R. Ambedkar University Delhi (AUD). Broadly it aims to benchmark AUD's inter-disciplinary knowledge creation, dissemination and integration into its teaching-learning process in the focus areas of social sciences, humanities and arts. It is in consonance with similar schemes/practices/policies in vogue in leading Universities and Institutions of Higher Education.

TITLE

Ambedkar University Research Publication Incentive Scheme or AURPIS in short.

SCOPE & OBJECTIVES

The incentive in the form of Cash Award and Certificate Award will be given to researchers of the AUD in recognition of the importance of their published research work and excellence in research. The scheme seeks to motivate individual excellence and is not based on competition between faculty members. The publications considered must be listed/indexed in UGC Care List II (Web of Science, Scopus, MLA) or UGC Care List 1. The awards will be granted for the journal papers published in each year (01st January — 31st December). A publication made in the Journals that seek publication fee (article processing charges or open access charges), shall not be considered for cash awards (irrespective of the listing in the publication societies/ houses/presses specified in the following lists). All the authors of the publication should have made a stated and verifiable contribution to the research publication.

The Scheme shall be "effective from the date of notification by the Competent Authority for a period of five years. The policy can be withdrawn at any point of time without any formal" notice to anybody. The University reserves the right to modify or amend this policy in whole or in part at any time with or without notice.

The objectives of the Scheme are to encourage & award researchers of AUD for:

Publishing high quality and original research journal articles generating higher citations & API scores.

Submitting & executing research proposals inviting external funding and establishment of state-of-art research facilities.

EXPECTED OUTCOMES

- Enhancement in quality of research and innovation related activities leading to higher grading & ranking of the AUD.
Expansion of frontiers of knowledge and thus contribute to the IP worth of the nation.
- iii. Translation of research output into tangible societal benefits as a public university contribution.

DEFINITIONS & ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

- i. **"University"** shall mean Dr. B. R. Ambedkar University Delhi.
- ii. **"Paper"**: Any publication appearing in a journal, excluding letters to the editor and the editorials.
- iii. **"Researcher"**: An individual who is either a Faculty Member of the University or a University Student involved in the research.
- iv. **"Author"**: An individual who confirms to all of the following criteria:
 - a) Made a significant intellectual contribution to the theoretical development, system or experimental design, prototype development, and/or the analysis and interpretation of data associated with the work contained in the paper;
 - b) Contributed to drafting the paper or reviewing and/or revising it for intellectual content;
 - c) Approved the final version of the paper as accepted for publication, including references.
 - d) Contributors who do not meet all of the above criteria (a to c) may be present in the acknowledgement section of the article.
 - e) Omitting an author who contributed to the article or including a person who did not fulfil all of the above requirements is considered a breach of publishing ethics.
- v. **"AUD Author"**: This term refers to Researchers of AUD who are authors of the publication and are members of AUD as faculty members or students at the time of applying for thy award.
- vi. **"Applying Author"**: This term will identify the individual who is an AUD Author who - will be the person applying for the award. This will be the person whose name appears first in the list of authors from among AUD Authors. Only the Applying Author shall be eligible to apply for the award.

AWARD CATEGORIES & SELECTION CRITERIA

AURPIS committee shall nominate for reward individual research publications on the basis

of following criteria.

a) Distinguished Researcher Award

- Award of Rs. One Lakh Cash and Certificate.
- Selection Criteria: Clarivate (SCI, SSCI, AHCI) Impact Factor of at least 6.0.
- The paper should not have been published after payment of processing charges. Only in cases where there is a clearly stated reason for making the paper open access, that the payment of charges will be ignored.
- Each awardee in this category can be awarded for a maximum of one paper.

b) Outstanding Researcher) Award

- Award of Rs. Fifty Thousand Cash and Certificate.
- Selection Criteria: Clarivate (SCI, SSCI, AHCI) Impact Factor of at least 4.0.
- The paper should not have been published after payment of processing charges. Only in cases where there is a clearly stated reason for making the paper open access, that the payment of charges will be ignored.
- Each awardee in this category can be awarded for a maximum of one paper.

c) Commendable Researcher Award

- Award of Rs. Fifteen Thousand Cash and Certificate.
- Selection Criteria: Clarivate (SCI, SSCI, AHCI) Impact Factor of at least 2.0.
- The paper should not have been published after payment of processing charges. Only in cases where there is a clearly stated reason for making the paper open access, that the payment of charges will be ignored.
- Each awardee in this category can be awarded for a maximum of three papers.

d) Good Researcher) Award

- Award of Rs. Three Thousand Cash and Certificate
- Selection Criteria: The publication must be in peer-reviewed Journals listed in UGC Care List I or II, which are not listed in the Categories (I, II, III) above OR appeared in journals published by following publishers;
 1. Taylor and Francis Press
 2. Cambridge University Press
 3. Oxford University Press
 4. Vani Prakashan
 5. Rajkamal Prakashan
 6. Sage Publishers
 7. Wiley

8. Springer Nature
9. University Presses listed in Project Muse.
10. Tulika
11. Sameeksha Trust
12. Brill
13. De Gruyter
14. Emerald
15. MDPI
16. Frontiers

This is not an exhaustive list and the selection committee can appropriately update it as and when required.

- The paper should not have been published after payment of processing charges. Only in cases where there is a clearly stated reason for making the paper open access, that the payment of charges will be ignored.
- Each awardee in this category can be awarded for a maximum of three papers.

REGULATIONS FOR DIVISION & DISTRIBUTION of CASH AWARDED AND CERTIFICATE

Only AUD Authors are eligible for the Cash Award and Award of certificate. No author of the awarded publication, external to AUD is eligible for the award.

- ii. When there are multiple AUD Authors and if the application of the Applying Author is successful for the award, then all the AUD Authors of that publication will be eligible for the certificate of award and will also be eligible for a share of the award.

The cash prize will be shared the following ratio;

- Two authors: First author gets 60 percent and the second author gets 40 percent of the award money.
- Three authors: The main/first author gets 50 percent and the rest of the cash award will be divided equally among the remaining two (25 percent each).
- If one (or more) authors is/are external to the University, then the prize amount of the external author will be subtracted from the total prize amount.
- In case of a dispute about distribution of award, any of the AUD Authors of the awarded publication may send an application to the AURPIS committee within a week of the announcement of the award.

Guidelines for Evaluation of Research Publication for the Award

The current/present impact factor, indexing (SCI, SSCI, AHCI) and other information will be taken from Clarivate analytics for evaluation of the papers. Thus, the current/present statistics including payment and indexing information of the journals will be taken for the purpose of verification by the screening/scrutiny committee.

- ii. The final publication date of the paper with volume and issue number will be

considered for verifying the year of publication and pagination of the research paper under consideration. (Acceptance date or date on which the paper was published online will not be considered.)

AURPIS COMMITTEE

The AURPIS Committee with the following composition and duly notified shall evaluate the applications for the awards as per the provisions of the Scheme and recommend the eligible and meritorious ones to the Vice Chancellor for selection of grant of the awards. The Committee shall meet once a year at least for the said purpose and submit its recommendations by the first week of November of the year. It may also suggest/recommend any necessary, suitable amendments to the Scheme from time to time.

I. Dean R&C	Chairperson
II. Director IQAC	Member
III. Two Professors nominated by the VC	Member
IV. Dy. Dean (R&C)	Member Secretary
V. DR R&C	Convenor

The Committee may also co-opt a Dean/Head of a School/Division of AUD.

GENERAL CONDITIONS

- i. Power to remove difficulties: If any difficulty arises in giving effect to the provisions of these guidelines, the Vice Chancellor may make such provisions, not inconsistent with the provisions in these guidelines, that appear to be necessary or expedient for removing the difficulty.

The guidelines shall be Implemented for the period of 1st January to 31st December of the respective calendar year.