SVA Government College, Srikalahasti Research Policy

1. Vision

To foster a research-driven academic environment that promotes innovation, critical thinking, and societal advancement through scholarly inquiry and ethical practices.

2. Objectives

- To promote a culture of research and inquiry among faculty and students.
- To encourage interdisciplinary and collaborative research.
- To support research that contributes to regional, national, and global development.
- To ensure ethical standards and academic integrity in research.
- To facilitate funding opportunities and partnerships with academic, governmental, and industrial organizations.

3. Scope

This policy applies to all faculty and students involved in academic and scientific research activities within the institution.

4. Research Promotion and Support

- The college will create a Research Committee to guide and monitor research activities.
- Faculty members are encouraged to submit research proposals to UGC, DST, DBT, ICSSR and other funding agencies.
- Seed grants may be provided to initiate research projects.
- Faculty and students will be encouraged to present papers at seminars and publish in reputed peer-reviewed journals.
- Infrastructure such as laboratories, libraries, internet access, and software tools will be made available.

5. Student Research

- UG students will be encouraged to undertake study projects, fieldwork, and miniresearch assignments under faculty mentorship.
- Research presentations and competitions will be organized to showcase student research.
- Students will be trained in basic research methodologies and ethics.

6. Publications and IPR

- Faculty and students should aim to publish in UGC CARE-listed, Scopus-indexed, or equivalent reputed journals.
- Plagiarism must be avoided; all work will be subjected to plagiarism detection software.
- The college will assist in filing patents and promoting intellectual property rights (IPR).

7. Ethics and Integrity

- All research must adhere to ethical standards, including respect for intellectual property, informed consent (in case of human subjects), and honest reporting of data.
- The Research Committee will oversee the ethical clearance process for sensitive or human-related studies.

8. Collaborations and MoUs

- The institution will strive to sign Memoranda of Understanding (MoUs) with reputed research institutions, industries, and NGOs for collaborative projects.
- Faculty will be encouraged to undertake consultancy, applied research, and extension services.

9. Monitoring and Review

- Research progress will be reviewed annually by the Research Committee.
- The committee will also maintain a database of all research output from the institution.

10. Incentives and Recognition

- Faculty and students achieving outstanding research output will be recognized through awards, certificates, and academic credit where applicable.
- Publication in high-impact journals and patents will be given due weightage in career advancement and student evaluations.