

## Research Policy

Institute of Public Enterprise (IPE) is recognized as a 'Centre of Excellence' in Social Science Research by the Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR), Ministry of Education, Government of India.

IPE's Research Policy is committed to conducting in-depth research through rigorous academic methodologies, with a focus on the fields of Social Sciences in general and Management in particular.

This policy outlines the principles, responsibilities, and procedures governing research activities at IPE. The policy is designed to ensure that all research conducted aligns with the institute's mission, values, and strategic objectives while maintaining high ethical standards and contributing to the advancement of knowledge in social science and management.

### 1. Objectives

The primary objectives of this research policy are:

- To promote a culture of rigorous and ethical research.
- To ensure that all research activities contribute to the academic and professional development of faculty, researchers, and students.
- To facilitate interdisciplinary and collaborative research.
- To ensure compliance with national and international research standards and regulations.
- To motivate faculty to publish more research publications.
- To encourage faculty apply for funded research projects
- To bring out the Research Journal on time

### 2. Research Priorities

Research at the Institute will focus on, but not be limited to, the following areas:

- **Social Sciences:** Including but not limited to economics, Public Policy, Public Administration, sociology, psychology, political science, and anthropology.
- **Management:** Covering topics such as Organizational Behavior, Strategic Management, Operations, Marketing, Finance, and Human Resources.
- **Interdisciplinary Research through the Research Centres:** Encouraging Interdisciplinary research that address complex social and managerial challenges through various Research Centres such as Centre of Corporate Governance, Centre of Corporate Social Responsibility, Centre of Sustainable Development, Centre of Excellence in Sustainable Tourism, Centre for Financial Education

  
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- **Fellow Programme in Management:** The Institute offers Fellow Programme in Management (FPM) which is a doctoral-level programme designed to develop scholars, researchers, in various areas of management and allied disciplines. It has been introduced with the aim to produce high-quality research that contributes to the advancement of knowledge in the field of Management and Social Science.
- **ICSSR Doctoral Fellowships:** The Institute offers ICSSR funded fellowships to the Management and Social Science Ph.D scholars for the effective conduct of their research. The faculty at the Institute will guide them to come out with good research outcomes acknowledging the Institute's support in the successful completion of their doctoral programmes.

### 3. Research Funding

- All research proposals seeking external funding must be reviewed and approved by the Research Committee.
- Researchers must adhere to the terms and conditions of the funding bodies and ensure proper Financial Management and Reporting.

### 4. Collaborative Research


- The Institute encourages collaborative research with National and International Academic Institutions, Government Agencies, NGOs, and the private sector.
- All collaborative research agreements must be formalised through Memorandum of Understanding (MoUs) or similar legal instruments, detailing roles, responsibilities, intellectual property rights, and data sharing protocols.

### 5. Publication and Dissemination

- Researchers are encouraged to publish their findings in reputable peer-reviewed journals and present them at conferences.
- All publications must acknowledge the Institute's support and adhere to its publication guidelines.
- The Institute will also support the dissemination of research through public lectures, workshops, and online platforms.

### 6. Capacity Building

- The Institute will invest in capacity-building initiatives to enhance the research skills of faculty, staff, and students.
- Regular workshops, seminars, and training programs will be organized to keep researchers updated on the latest methodologies, tools, and ethical standards.

  
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## **7. Research Evaluation**

- The Institute will regularly evaluate the quality and impact of its research activities through annual reviews and assessments.
- Faculty need to submit annual progress reports, and their performance will be assessed based on research outputs, publications, and contributions to the Institute's mission.

## **8. Research Misconduct**

- The Institute has a zero-tolerance policy towards research misconduct, including plagiarism, data fabrication, and falsification.
- Allegations of research misconduct will be investigated by a designated committee, and appropriate disciplinary actions will be taken against those found guilty.

## **9. Compliance and Monitoring**

- The Institute's Research Committee is responsible for monitoring compliance with this research policy.
- Regular audits and reviews will be conducted to ensure adherence to the policy and to address any emerging issues.

## **10. Ethical Standards**

- All research must adhere to the highest ethical standards, respecting the dignity, rights, and welfare of research participants.
- Researchers must obtain consent from client organizations and ensure confidentiality and privacy.
- Research involving vulnerable groups, such as children, the elderly, and marginalized communities, requires special ethical considerations and approval.
- All research proposals must undergo ethical review and approval by the institute's Research Ethics Committee (REC).

## **11. Policy Review**

- This research policy will be reviewed every year or as needed to ensure its relevance and effectiveness.
- Amendments to the policy will be made from time to time in consultations with all the stakeholders and on approval by the Director.



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