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15th ORIC Research Committee Meeting

Minutes of the Meeting held on April 15, 2021

- The 15th ORIC Research Committee meeting was held online on Thursday, the 15th April, 2021 at 02:15 pm on Microsoft Teams.
- Prof. Aamer Iqbal Bhatti, Dean Research & Innovation, presided the meeting.
- The following were present in the meeting:
 - Dr. Sahar Fazal
 Dr. Majid Ali
 Dr. Abdul Rehman Kashif
 Dr. Nadeem Anjum
 Dr. Khawar Naveed
 Dr. Samiya Safdar
 Dr. Mahboob Alam
 Professor/HoD BS
 Professor CE
 Associate Prof. Math
 Assistant Prof. CS
 Assistant Prof. MS
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Dr. Umer Amir Khan, the respective Research Committee member from EE Department could not attend the meeting.

Dean Research and Innovation, Prof. Aamer Iqbal Bhatti welcomed the committee members. Subsequently, the meeting progressed as per agenda items listed below: -

Item #1 Revised HEC ORIC Policy

 1.1 Dean Research & Innovation updated the members about Revised HEC ORIC Policy. He added that HEC now expects ORICs to invest more in commercialization of technology and facilitate student/faculty in startups. HEC has also allotted due weightage and incentives for commercialization activities in its Evaluation Matrix. He directed Assistant Director ORIC to make a brief presentation of Revised Policy to more precisely discuss it with Research Committee members and take their valuable feedback on it.

Item #2 <u>HEC, NRPU Call for Proposals</u>

2.1 Dean Research & Innovation apprised the members about HEC, NRPU Call for Proposals. He updated the members about the program details and asked them to motivate their respective departments in proposals submission and submit at least one proposal each department. He assured the full

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support of ORIC in proposals write-up, documentation and submission processes. Dean Research & Innovation also shared the details about the proposals submitted by CUST in HEC CPEC-CRG Grant.

- 2.2 Dean Research & Innovation asked members to share respective departmental research proposal's ideas. Prof Sahar Fazal updated members about the research proposals of Dr. Erum Dilshad, Dr. Arshia Amin and Dr. Syeda Mariyam Bakhtiar for submission in NRPU. Dr. Nadeem Anjum, the respective member from CS Department said that HoD CS have explicitly directed faculty members to submit research proposals in NRPU. He also shared the details of his Research Proposal in collaboration with Prof. Nayyer Masood. Dr. Samiya Safdar, the respective member from MS department also shared her departmental capacity on the subject matter.
- 2.3 Engr. Prof. Majid Ali, respective member from CE Department shared the details of his two projects related to "Waste Plastic" and "Fiber Reinforced Canal lining" that can be submitted in NRPU. Dr. Khawar Naveed, Dr. Abdul Rahman Kashif and Dr. Mahboob Alam also shared the details of their expected proposals for submission in NRPU from ME, Math and Pharmacy departments respectively. Dean Research & Innovation recommended members to include maximum share for HR costs in budget that would be helpful for funded MS/PhD Research, as HEC allocates/approves less amount for equipment. He also assured the members about full support of ORIC in proposals submission and related procedures.

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The meeting ended with a vote of thanks to the Chair as well as the participants of the meeting.

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Prof. Aamer Iqbal Bhatti Dean Research & Innovation