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Plagiarism Policy (As per UGC Guidelines)

Introduction:

Plagiarism is a serious academic misconduct. As per the University Grants Commission (UGC), India, all higher education institutions and research journals must adopt strict anti-plagiarism measures. **Shibli National Academic Journal (SNAJ)** follows the UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018.

Acceptable Similarity Index:

The plagiarism check will be carried out using standard software (Turnitin/Urkund). The following thresholds are applicable:

- Up to 10%: Acceptable
- 10% – 40%: Minor Revision Required
- 40% – 60%: Major Revision Required
- Above 60%: Rejected

Author's Responsibility:

1. Authors must ensure originality of their work.
2. Proper citation and referencing must be followed (APA 7th Edition).
3. Self-plagiarism and duplicate submissions are strictly prohibited.

Editorial Responsibility:

1. All manuscripts are checked through plagiarism detection software before peer review.
2. If plagiarism is detected at any stage (submission, review, or after publication), the manuscript/article will be rejected/withdrawn immediately.

Consequences of Plagiarism:

- Manuscripts found with plagiarism beyond permissible limits will not be considered for publication.
- Authors may be blacklisted from future submissions.
- Institutions of the concerned author(s) may be informed as per UGC regulations.

Final Note:

SNAJ is committed to maintaining the highest standards of research integrity and publication ethics. Authors are advised to strictly follow UGC guidelines to avoid academic misconduct.