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NOTIFICATION

Subject: UMT Research Reward Policy (Revised)

It is notified for information of all concerned that the Rector has been pleased to approve the following UMT Research Reward Policy (Revised) for facilitating research development culture and advancement in Knowledge effective from July 1, 2020:

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Publishing scientific research is deemed as one of the most essential jobs and anticipated tasks of faculty members and researchers at UMT. The Research Reward Program aims at rewarding and honoring the efforts of outstanding researchers at UMT and encouraging them to exert more for the sake of elevating academic and applied research at UMT to the highest levels. The program also aims at increasing research productivity and quality, enhancing UMT research culture and uplifting the University's academic rank.

1.1 OBJECTIVE:

- Encourage publication in leading international journals.
- Contribute actively toward achieving internationally recognized research-excellence.
- Foster collaboration with international researchers worldwide.
- Encourage diversification of scholarly outcomes.

1.2 SCOPE:

This Research Award Policy is applicable to all full-time faculty members, research associates and participants of Schools/Institutes as well as non-faculty researchers, effective from July 1st, 2020

2.0 POLICY

GUIDELINES AND GENERAL ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

- a. This policy will apply to research articles published by UMT authors in HEC recognized international and national Journals.
- b. Researchers must have UMT affiliation for all types of research manuscripts (articles, books, book chapters etc.)



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- c. Researcher having account/profile on Google Scholar, Scopus, Mendeley, Publon and ORCID will be eligible to apply for reward for any category defined in this policy.
- d. Conference papers shall not come under the umbrella of this policy.
- e. Research work published in a journal which is not a full-length research paper i.e. Letter to Editor, Abstracts, Notes, Short Paper/Study, Correspondence, Discussion & Comments, Contribution, Erratum and Corrigendum etc. will not be considered for the cash reward.
- f. Publishing of articles with publishing fee paid by UMT will not be considered for cash reward.
- g. Full book/book chapter(s)/partial contribution in a book will be dealt separately as per HEC policy.
- h. Winning of research grants, patents, models, applied researches etc. shall be dealt as per policy available at: www.umt.edu.pk/oric/Downloads.aspx
- i. This reward will be given upon the online/print publication of the article.
- j. For single author* publication, complete reward amount will be given to the author; however multiple/co-authorship* will be treated as per detail:

One co-author	60% for the first author 40% for the second author
Two co-authors	50% for the first author 30% for the second author 20% for the third author
Three co-authors	40% for the first author 30% for the second author 20% for the third author 10% for the fourth author
More than three co-authors	35% for the first author 25% for the second author 20% for the third author 20% is distributed among the other authors equally
Corresponding Author	Corresponding author if not first author will be considered as second author and rest of the authors will be dealt accordingly

*for authors with UMT affiliation only



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- k. In case of multiple authors, the reward will be divided among the number of UMT authors and non-UMT authors will be excluded. The portion of reward will be excluded from the total amount in case of non UMT authors.
- l. Name/affiliation of UMT in the publication shall be a pre-requisite for availing this reward.
- m. UMT author(s) showing affiliation with two or more institutions will carry weight accordingly (e.g. for dual affiliation weightage will be 50%).
- n. Verification of the publication from UMT Research Grant Committee (RGC) shall be mandatory for this reward.

TYPE 1- PUBLICATION CATEGORIES AND AMOUNT OF CASH REWARDS:

Categories of cash rewards shall be as per HEC new journal recognition criteria; without any differentiation of sciences/social sciences/humanities etc. The distribution shall be as follows:

HEC Recognized Category	Cash Award (Pk Rs)
Y category	30,000
X - Clay	50,000
X - Honorable Mention	70,000
W - Bronze	100,000
W - Silver	125,000
W - Gold	150,000
W - Platinum	200,000

TYPE 2 – REWARD ON CITATION:

Citations play important role in author's H index and university ranking, so special reward will be given on number of citations. Citations data will be taken from Google Scholar once in December for papers cited in last year. At least 30 citations in the calendar year and Google Scholar account will be required to qualify.

Number of citations	Reward (Pk Rs)
30-49 citations	15000
50-99 citations	25000
100 and above citations	50000



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TYPE 3 - REWARD ON BOOK PUBLICATION:

- HEC recognized Books and Book Chapters will be rewarded. Reward on Book publication will be given upon submission of HEC decision on respective Book by the author.
- Book must be published in hard copy. Only e-version based books should not be considered to prevent predatory publishing.
- Multiple volumes will be considered as one book only.
- Books comprising of conference proceedings will not be considered as Book publication.
- The reward amount will be distributed equally among UMT authors. General guidelines and eligibility requirements will also apply on Book publication. Reward distribution shall be as follows:

Role	Publisher	Reward
Editor and Writer	International	100,000
Editor	International	50,000
Chapter	International	20,000
Editor and Writer	National	50,000
Editor	National	30,000
Chapter	National	15,000

TYPE 4 - PUBLICATION IN NATURE INDEX JOURNALS

(<https://www.natureindex.com/faq#journals>):

The Nature Index is a database of author affiliation information collated from research articles published in an independently selected group of 82 high-quality science journals. The Nature Index provides a close to real-time proxy of high-quality research output and collaboration at the institutional, national and regional level. The Nature Index also provides institutions with an easy means to identify and highlight some of their best scientific research.

- 50% extra reward will be given for full length Journal paper publication in *Nature Index Journals*.



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TYPE 5- REWARD ON NEWSPAPER ARTICLES:

Articles published in leading Newspapers (Jang, The News, Dawn, and Tribune) on Editorial page, as full length article and with proper affiliation of UMT, shall also be rewarded:

Newspaper article	Rs. 3,000
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3.0 PROCESS

Researcher will apply through online form available at the web page of Research Grant Committee (RGC) and also submit a signed copy of form to secretary Research Grant Committee. RGC shall review the reward cases in bimonthly meeting and forward cases with Rectors approval to Accounts Office for further process.

4.0 IMPLEMENTATION AND COMPLIANCE

Research Grant Committee (RGC) shall be responsible for Implementation and Compliance of this policy.


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