



## Research Promotion Policy

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### 1. Preamble

Shri Siddheshwar Shikshan Mandal's College of Architecture (SSSM's COA), Solapur, recognizes research as a vital component of architectural education and institutional growth. The college aims to nurture a culture of inquiry, innovation, and critical thinking among faculty and students by promoting scholarly and practice-based research that contributes to sustainable development, local heritage, and architectural excellence.

### 2. Objectives

1. Encourage faculty and students to engage in research, documentation, and innovation.
2. Facilitate publications, presentations, and participation in research activities at regional, national, and international levels.
3. Promote community-based and practice-oriented research relevant to the local context.
4. Support interdisciplinary collaborations and linkages with institutions, industries, and professional bodies.
5. Strengthen the institution's contribution to knowledge dissemination through research, design innovation, and documentation.

### 3. Strategies for Implementation

- Establish a Research and Innovation Cell (RIC) to coordinate and monitor research activities.
- Encourage faculty to publish at least one research paper or case study annually.
- Recognize exemplary research contributions through certificates or institutional awards.
- Promote student research through thesis, documentation, competitions, and elective studies.
- Publish an Institutional E-Journal / Research Compendium annually.
- Provide limited seed support or institutional assistance for research and field documentation.
- Facilitate collaborations with practicing architects, heritage bodies, and local authorities.

### 4. Governance and Review

The Research and Innovation Cell shall periodically review progress and submit annual reports to the Head of Institution. The policy will be reviewed once every three years or as directed by the Academic Council.

Approved by:

**Principal,**

Shri Siddheshwar Shikshan Mandal's College of Architecture, Solapur