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Panel Discussion on “From Proposal to Publication: Embedding Ethics and Discipline in Every Research Step”

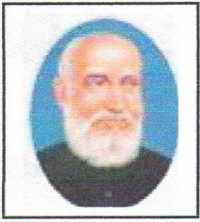
The Student Research Club, Father Muller College of Nursing (FMCON), Mangaluru, organized a panel discussion titled “From Proposal to Publication: Embedding Ethics and Discipline in Every Research Step” on 13 January 2026 at Rajath Bhavan, FMCON. The objective of the session was to enhance understanding of ethical principles, discipline, and best practices across all stages of the research process.

The panel discussion brought together a distinguished group of academicians and research experts. The panelists included Dr. Shivashankara AR, Principal, FMCOAHS, Mangaluru; Dr. Pooja M, Assistant Professor and Basic Medical Scientist, FMIEC, FMCC, Mangaluru; Dr. Shailaja S, Professor, FMCC, Mangaluru; Dr. Animesh Jain, Professor, Community Medicine, KMC, Mangaluru; Dr. Janet Dotty Lobo, Chief Librarian, Father Muller Knowledge Centre, Mangaluru; and Dr. Sandra J Saldanha, Professor and Research Cell Chairperson, FMCON, Mangaluru, and Dr. Sudherer Prabhu HOD OF COMMUNITY MEDICINE FMCC. The session was effectively moderated by Dr. Devina E Rodrigues, Professor, FMCON, Mangaluru.

The panelists deliberated on the complete research journey, beginning with identifying relevant research problems and developing sound research proposals. Emphasis was laid on ethical approval processes, informed consent, data integrity, and adherence to institutional and national research guidelines. The discussion also highlighted the importance of discipline in maintaining research records, avoiding plagiarism, ensuring appropriate authorship, and selecting credible journals for publication.

Special focus was given to the role of libraries and digital resources in supporting ethical research, reference management, and plagiarism detection. The panelists shared practical insights from their academic and research experiences, guiding students on overcoming common challenges faced during proposal writing, data collection, analysis, and manuscript preparation and authorship criteria and research dissemination.

The interactive session encouraged active participation from students and faculty, with meaningful questions and discussions on ethical dilemmas, publication pressures, and maintaining integrity in



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scholarly work. The panel discussion was highly enriching and played a significant role in strengthening research awareness, ethical sensitivity, and academic discipline among the participants.



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