Policy on Integrity in Research, Originality in Art, and Ethical Use of AI at Jawahar Lal Nehru Government College of Fine Arts, Shimla

Jawahar Lal Nehru Government College of Fine Arts, Shimla, is committed to upholding ethical standards and fostering integrity in all academic and creative endeavors. This policy delineates our dedication to promoting honesty, originality, and responsible utilization of artificial intelligence (AI) within our institution.

Policy Statement:

Integrity in Research:

- a. Researchers within the College are obliged to conduct their work with the utmost integrity, adhering to ethical principles and transparent practices.
- b. Any form of data manipulation, fabrication, or falsification is strictly prohibited, and accurate reporting of findings, methodologies, and sources is paramount.
- c. Proper attribution and acknowledgment of sources and collaborative efforts must be upheld to maintain academic integrity and transparency.

Originality in Art:

- a. Creativity and originality are the cornerstone of artistic expression, and plagiarism in any form—be it imitation or unauthorized reproduction—is unequivocally prohibited.
- b. Artists and creators at the College are expected to produce work that reflects their unique vision, while respecting the intellectual property rights of others.
- c. Full citation and acknowledgment of influences, references, or sources must be provided whenever applicable to ensure transparency and integrity in artistic practice.

Ethical Use of AI:

- a. Recognizing the growing significance of AI in various domains, including the arts, the College emphasizes the ethical and responsible deployment of AI technologies.
- b. Al applications in artistic creation should be utilized ethically, ensuring they do not compromise individual rights, privacy, or cultural sensitivities.
- c. Artists and researchers employing AI technologies are encouraged to critically assess the ethical implications of their work, prioritizing considerations of bias, privacy, and societal impact.

Education and Awareness:

- a. The College will provide comprehensive education and training on research integrity, plagiarism awareness, and ethical use of AI through workshops, seminars, and educational materials.
- b. Ongoing dialogue and communication about ethical issues in research, art, and technology will be fostered to cultivate a community that embraces ethical decision-making.

Enforcement and Accountability:

- a. Instances of research misconduct, plagiarism in art, or unethical use of AI will be investigated promptly and impartially.
- b. Sanctions for violations may include disciplinary measures, academic penalties, loss of privileges, and reputational consequences.

Jawahar Lal Nehru Government College of Fine Arts, Shimla, stands committed to fostering a culture of integrity, originality, and ethical conduct across all domains of academic and creative pursuit. Through the implementation of this policy and ongoing education initiatives, we aim to empower our community to uphold the highest ethical standards and contribute to the advancement of knowledge and creativity ethically and responsibly.