Academic excellence through enhanced engagement in research

2. Objectives of the Practice What are the objectives / intended outcomes of this "best practice" and what are the underlying principles or concepts of this practice? (in about 20 words)

- Promote: Institutional funding & support for Faculty and student research projects,
- Incorporation of research into P.G.curricula
- Industry-academia collaboration
- Interdisciplinary dialogue

3.. The Context What were the contextual features or challenging issues that needed to be addressed in designing and implementing this practice? (in about 30 words)

Quality research requires time, commitment and resources. These were the challenges that the institution faced in achieving academic excellence through research.

4. The Practice Describe the best practice and its uniqueness in the context of India higher education. What were the constraints / limitations, if any, faced? (in about 50 words)

- 6 research conferences organised
- Jyoti Summit, to promote interdisciplinary engagement and industry participation, organised successfully with 50 paper presentations.
- All PG students undertake research in the final semester
- 4 faculty received research grants from external funding agencies and 2 from the institution for two major and one minor research project.

5. Evidence of Success Provide evidence of success such as performance against targets and benchmarks, review/results. What do these results indicate? Describe in about 40 words.

- Recognition of Centres for Research toward Doctoral Degrees in Four departments by Bengaluru City University – Chemistry, Management, Computer Science and English
- 5 faculty were granted patents
- 2 faculty successfully completed their Ph.D
- 5 faculty recognised as research guides by BCU

6. Problems Encountered and Resources Required Please identify the problems encountered and resources required to implement the practice (in about 30 words).

- Paucity of funds for research, especially in arts and humanities
- Faculty difficulty in managing teaching work load and research
- Student apathy and the tendency to plagiarise
- Socio-cultural barriers toward research

7. Notes (Optional) Please add any other information that may be relevant for adopting/ implementing the Best Practice in other institutions (in about 30 words). Any other information regarding Institutional Values and Best Practices which the institution would like to include.