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***Policy on Value-Added Courses***

## **1. Introduction:**

Ranchi University recognizes the importance of providing holistic education to its students, beyond the confines of academic curriculum. In alignment with this vision, the University introduces Value-Added Courses (VACs) aimed at enhancing students' skills, competencies, and employability. This policy outlines the guidelines for the implementation and management of Value-Added Courses at Ranchi University.

## **2. Scope:**

The scope of the Value-Added Courses (VACs) policy at Ranchi University encompasses a broad spectrum of initiatives aimed at enriching the educational experience of its students and enhancing their employability and competitiveness in the global arena. The policy applies to all Academic Departments, Faculties, and administrative units within the University, with the overarching goal of providing students with diverse opportunities for holistic development and personal growth.

## **3. Objectives:**

The objectives of Value-Added Courses at Ranchi University are:

- 3.1. To supplement the academic curriculum with practical skills and knowledge.
- 3.2. To enhance students' employability and competitiveness in the job market.
- 3.3. To encourage innovation, creativity, and critical thinking among students.
- 3.4. To provide opportunities for holistic development and personal growth.

## **4. Definition of Value-Added Courses:**

Value-Added Courses are additional courses offered by Ranchi University, designed to complement the mainstream academic curriculum. These courses may cover a wide range of subjects, including but not limited to technical skills, communication skills, entrepreneurship, leadership, and personal development.

## **5. Course Development and Approval Process:**

Faculty Members, Departments, and external experts may propose Value-Added Courses based on market demand, industry trends, and students' interests.

Proposals for Value-Added Courses should include course objectives, syllabus, teaching methodologies, assessment criteria, and resource requirements.

The proposed courses will undergo scrutiny by the Academic Council or a designated committee for approval.

Approved courses will be periodically reviewed and updated to ensure relevance and effectiveness.

## **6. Course Implementation:**

Value-Added Courses may be offered as elective courses alongside the regular Academic Curriculum.

The University will provide necessary infrastructure, faculty support, and resources for the successful implementation of these courses.

Courses may be conducted through various modes, including classroom sessions, workshops, seminars, online modules, and hands-on training.

Emphasis will be placed on interactive and experiential learning methods to maximize student engagement and learning outcomes.

## **7. Evaluation and Assessment:**

Value-Added Courses will be evaluated through continuous assessment methods such as assignments, projects, presentations, and practical demonstrations.

Assessment criteria will be clearly defined at the beginning of each course, and feedback will be provided to students to facilitate their learning and improvement.

The University will ensure transparency, fairness, and consistency in the evaluation process.

## **8. Certification:**

Students who successfully complete Value-Added Courses will be awarded certificates by Ranchi University.

These certificates will serve as endorsements of the skills and competencies acquired by students through the Value-Added Courses.

## **9. Monitoring and Quality Assurance:**

Ranchi University will establish mechanisms for monitoring the quality and effectiveness of Value-Added Courses.

Feedback from students, Faculty Members, and industry stakeholders will be solicited and incorporated to continuously improve the courses.

Regular audits and reviews will be conducted to ensure compliance with the established guidelines and standards.

## **10. Implementation:**

This policy shall come into effect from the date of approval by the competent authority. The concerned Departments and administrative units shall be responsible for the implementation of this policy in letter and spirit.

## **11. Review and Revision:**

This policy shall be subject to periodic review and revision as deemed necessary by the University authorities to ensure its relevance and effectiveness in achieving the objectives outlined herein.

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