

**Report on Onsite Interaction Programme (Turnitin) on
'Academic Integrity in the World of Research'
28 July 2026 | 3.00 – 4.00 PM**

Recognizing the importance of promoting ethical research practices and maintaining the highest standards of academic integrity, the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC), JSS Academy of Higher Education & Research (JSS AHER), Mysuru, in association with Office of the Controller of Examinations organized an **Onsite Interaction Programme (Turnitin) on 'Academic Integrity in the World of Research'** on **Tuesday, 28th July 2026, at 3.00 to 4:00 PM.**

The programme was organized to create awareness among faculty members about the significance of academic integrity in research and scholarly publishing. The session focused on understanding plagiarism and its impact on academic institutions, while highlighting the role of Turnitin in promoting originality and responsible academic writing.

The interaction programme provided participants with practical knowledge on Plagiarism and its impact on academic institutions, Turnitin's similarity check features, Student paper submission and review process, Generating and interpreting similarity reports, AI writing detection & analysis and Downloading and analysing the reports. The programme concluded with an interactive Q&A session, enabling participants to clarify their queries and strengthen their understanding of effective use of Turnitin in research and academic writing.

The programme was compered by Dr. Sumana K, Deputy Dean (IQAC), JSS AHER Mysuru, she welcomed the dignitaries and the gathering.

The preamble of the event was addressed by **Dr. Sudeendra Bhat R, Controller of Examinations, JSS AHER, Mysuru.** In his talk, he emphasized the importance of plagiarism checking in maintaining the quality and credibility of scientific manual scripts, project proposals, thesis, dissertations and research publications. He highlighted the permissible limits of similarity as prescribed by the UGC and emphasised on the need to uphold academic integrity in all scholarly work.

He also briefed on the latest updates in the Turnitin software and demonstrated the tools available for analysing student's dissertations, thesis and research articles. He encouraged faculty members to remain updated with the latest features of Turnitin and to effectively utilize the platform to promote originality, ethical research practices and academic integrity.



Dr. Sudheendra Bhat R, Controller of Examinations addressing the gathering

The technical session was delivered by **Mr. Akshay Prasanna, Customer Success Manager, Turnitin, Asia Pacific Region**. He provided a comprehensive overview of the latest version of the Turnitin software and demonstrated its advanced features for similarity checking, AI paraphrasing detection and AI-generated content analysis. He also explained the UGC guidelines on permissible similarity limits and highlighted the software's capability to identify AI-assisted paraphrasing within acceptable word limits.

During the live demonstration, Mr. Akshay Prasanna illustrated the complete workflow of the Turnitin platform by creating a class, generating an assignment and submitting a sample document. He explained the assignment settings that allow students to review their submissions through multiple attempts before the final submission enabling them to improve the originality of their work.

He emphasized that manuscripts with a similarity index exceeding 30% should be revised by the students before final submission. The session also showcased the latest AI detection capabilities of Turnitin, which assist faculty members in identifying AI-generated content in manuscripts, project reports and other academic submissions. He explained how the platform provides detailed indicators to support mentors in evaluating the authenticity of student work. He emphasized the importance of detecting similarities in tables, schematics, graphs and other embedded elements while ensuring appropriate attribution to the original contributors or sources, including content and data obtained from publicly available internet resources.

He also discussed the current limitations of the software, noting that plagiarism detection for certain regional languages, including Kannada, Tamil and Malayalam, is still under development.

He further explained that while Turnitin does not detect plagiarism in images, it can effectively analyse hidden characters. He encouraged faculty members to create classes and utilize the platform effectively than 'Quick Submit' feature. He assured the participants that any technical concerns would be addressed during upcoming training programmes



Mr. Akshay Prasanna, addressing the participants





The programme concluded with a vote of thanks expressing sincere gratitude to the Controller of Examinations and team for providing the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) an opportunity to organize the programme. The Controller of Examinations and the Deans were acknowledged for their valuable guidance, support and encouragement which contributed significantly to the successful conduct of the programme.

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