

## **DIRECTORATE OF RESEARCH**

**Director of Research :** Prof. Narpinder Singh

The Directorate of Research deals with matters relating to research in the University. It Includes, postgraduate research leading to M.Sc., M.Phil and Ph.D. degrees; submission of new research projects for external funding and development of national and international research collaborations. The Directorate deals with developing Memorandum of Understanding with other institutions, scholarships and memorial lectures etc. The office also looks after the rate contract with various firms for the purchase of equipments, chemicals, glassware etc. and assists the departments for the purchase of various scientific equipments. Directorate monitors the progress of the research activities under the various programs like DST-PURSE scheme of Department of Science and Technology, New Delhi; “University with Potential for Excellence (UPE)” scheme of University Grants Commission. The Centralized Sophisticated Instruments facility created in the Emerging Life Science building is being maintained and regularized by this office. Ph.D Eligibility test is conducted by the Directorate for admission to Pre-Ph.D Course every year. The office is housed in the Physics Block of the University.

**Research Projects: DST-PURSE AND UPE.**

**DST-Purse Scheme (Promotion of University Research and Scientific Excellence):**

Under this scheme, in Phase-I, a grant of Rs. 9.00 crore was sanctioned to the Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar by the Department of Science and Technology, New Delhi. The scheme has been completed and all the necessary formalities are completed in this regard. Now, in Phase-II of this scheme a grant of Rs.17.5 crore has been sanctioned to Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar.

**UPE- Scheme (University with Potential for Excellence):**

Under this scheme, a grant of 50 crore was sanctioned by the University Grants Commission for 5 years and an amount of Rs.30 crore was received. The Scheme has further been extended for 2017-18.

**SAGY (Sansad Adarsh Gram Yojna):**

A scheme has been sanctioned to the Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar by the Department of Rural Development, Ministry of Rural Development, Govt. of India for the evaluation study of all the Gram Panchayats in Zone I selected during Phase-I.

**MoU Signed: Two**

The Mou were signed as under:

1. National Institute of Pharmaceutical Education and Research (NIPER), Mohali and Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar
2. OCM Private Ltd., Chheharta, Amritsar and Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar