

MoU with National Research Development Corporation, (NRDC)

The Andhra Pradesh State Council of Higher Education has entered a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with National Research Development Corporation, (NRDC) to promote high quality research in Universities and Colleges. NRDC was established in 1953 by the Government of India, with the primary objective to promote, develop and commercialize the technologies / know-how / inventions / patents / processes emanating from various national R&D institutions / Universities and is presently working under the administrative control of the Dept. of Scientific & Industrial Research, Ministry of Science & Technology. During the past more than six decade of its existence and in pursuance of its corporate goals, NRDC has forged strong links with the scientific and industrial community in India and abroad and developed a wide network of research institutions, academia and industry and made formal arrangements with them for the commercialization of know-how developed in their laboratories.

The detailed objectives are as follows:

- To organize programmes to create awareness on IPR and patent process
- To conduct seminars, workshops and other academic programmes to promote entrepreneurship, innovation, start-ups among students and faculty
- To extend support to undertake research projects in various fields of study
- To develop network with research institutions, industry, public and private sector undertakings for the promotion of research
- To promote research as per the international standards
- To promote inter-disciplinary and multi-disciplinary research involving researchers from different organizations.
- To facilitate collaborative research with international organisations

The Universities and colleges in the state will get funding for research projects, Start-up Projects, Patent oriented research and also get help for commercialization of the patents. Further these institutions will be connected with industry and business organizations from public and private sectors and national and international research organizations.