

## UGC comes up with tough guidelines for plagiarism

will now cost a higher education student dear with the University Grants Commission (UGC) coming up with regulations providing for the cancellation of such student's registration to research level programmes in cases where more than 60% of the content of their thesis and dissertations are found to have been similar to somebody else's work.

Faculty members of the uni-

versities and colleges would also not be spared. They will face cut in their annual increment and even lose their job if they are found guilty of plagiarism in publication of academic and research papers.

The higher education regulator notified the UGC (Promotion of Academic Integrity and Prevention of Plagiarism in Higher Educational Institutions) Regulations, 2018 on Friday. The regulations come into effect from July 23. Plagiarism in research and other academic works is believed to be rampant in the country, even though the number of proved cases of such academic misconduct has been very low.

The UGC regulations seeks to deal with the menace of plagiarism in higher education and research with an iron hand and promote academic integrity in the country's universities and colleges.





## Tech summit to focus on startups, global pacts

BENGALURU, DHNS: The Karnataka government will be focusing on three areas for this year's Bengaluru Tech Summit - emerging technology, startups and global alliances.

At the curtain raiser of the event, the IT/BT Department informed that technology leadership will be the focus for the first day, followed by emerging and futuristic technologies on the second day, and startups on the third.

Around 60 startups, along with 40 MSMEs and about 40-50 makers, would be given the opportunity to showcase their work and mingle with like-minded people at the summit

The three-day summit will have a carpet area of 60,000 sq feet.

The state government expects 10 countries, other than India, to participate in an event consisting of 3,500 delegates and over 300 exhibitors showcasing their services, products and technologies to over 11,000 visitors. The event is also expected to bring together 250 experts to speak at the event. The government will be supported by leading IT and electronics associations such as Nasscom, India Electronics & Semiconductor Association (IESA) and TiE, to provide assistance for the event.

Last year's theme for the Bengaluru Tech Summit 2017 was 'Ideate, Innovate and Invent'.