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Dr. Muhammad Tahir Ali Shah
Director (Academics)

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Dr. Muhammad Shoaib Malik
Chief Editor - Global Social Science Review (GSSR)
Plot # 624, Gali - 9, Street 10, I-10/2
Islamabad.

Subject: Recognition of the Research Journal Titled "Global Social Science Review" (GSSR), Plot # 624, Gali - 9, Street 10, I-10/2, Islamabad in Category "X".

Dear Dr. Muhammad Shoaib Malik Sahib السلام علیکم

The Higher Education Commission has been endeavoring to raise the quality of research in Pakistan according to international level and research journals are the excellent tool to enhance research capabilities. Research journals serve as forums to present latest research and also for appraisal of existing research. It has been decided to recognize research journals in different categories i.e. 'W', 'X', 'Y', 'Z' as per fulfillment of HEC criteria.


I am pleased to inform that "Global Social Science Review" (GSSR), Plot # 624, Gali - 9, Street 10, I-10/2, Islamabad has been recognized by HEC w.e.f. August - 2018 and placed in 'X' category (*detail of categories is available at <http://hec.gov.pk/site/ssjournals>*). The HEC is also providing financial assistance to all recognized journals and maximum amount up-to **Rs.500,000/- per annum** would be provided to all 'X' category journals as per demand. You can apply on the prescribed proforma for funding your journal which is available on HEC website.

The HEC would like to assist you in your endeavors to upgrade the category of your research journal. Since your journal has been graded as 'X' you will need to address the following issues in order to be considered for further up-gradation:

- i. Policy of Blind Review should be followed strictly ensuring that each article in your journal is reviewed in accordance with the criteria of X category.
- ii. The journal must be included in Journals Citation Reports (JCR) of Thomson Reuters.
- iii. To prevent plagiarism and ensure original research in your journal, use of anti-plagiarism software 'Turnitin' be confirmed as a compulsion.
- iv. The journal must be upgraded in next category within 2 years of recognition date otherwise HEC may reconsider the existing category of the journal.

We would also like you to take steps to ensure that your journal is available online to allow international access to its contents.

With best regards,


(Dr. Muhammad Tahir Ali Shah)

Copy for information:

- **Mr. Hafeez Ullah Khan**, Patron-in-Chief, Global Social Science Review (GSSR), Plot # 624, Gali - 9, Street 10, I-10/2, Islamabad.
- **APS** to Director General (Academics), HEC Islamabad.