

Article processing charges (APC) - Guidelines

Background: The major objectives of the institute are man power development, clinical services, research, and public education in the area of communication disorders. In this connection, faculty and technical staff members are encouraged to publish their research articles in peer reviewed journals. The financial support towards the article processing charges (APC) is intended to motivate researchers of AIISH to publish in journals with good metrics and gain more visibility and citations for their publications globally. This, in the long term, will help to strengthen the research outputs of the institute.

Following are the guidelines for APC:

1. Only publications in journals with indexing in wed of science and/or UGC-care will be considered for APC.
2. If the article by faculty / technical staff of the institute is accepted for publication, this amount shall be directly transferred from AIISH research funds (ARF) funds to the publisher's account directly or to the staff who has made the payment and produces document proof. This shall be on request application by the first/ corresponding author submitted to the director along with the document on acceptance of the paper in journals
3. Choice of the journal will be the decision of the first author.
4. In case of multiple authors from the institute.
 - the APC can be shared based on the application, if it exceeds Rs. 2.5 lakhs
 - the specialization of the first author shall decide the area specified.
5. The guidelines/ terms shall be revised once in three years, if needed.

Financial Implications:

For publication of manuscripts in reputed journals, AIISH budget allocation for APC is Rs. 45 lakhs per year.

- the areas in which the amount shall be allotted would be as follows:
 - Speech-language: Rs. 15 lakhs
 - Audiology: Rs. 15 lakhs
 - Allied fields: Rs. 15 lakhs
- APC (at actuals) of not exceeding Rs. 2.5 lakhs for a maximum of one publication per faculty/ technical staff (regular) per financial year shall be given for the first/corresponding author.
- The applications shall be considered on first-come-first-serve basis.
- Provision for revision of APC amount by 5% for every three years will be considered after approval from competent authority.

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