

**Substantiated misconduct cases handled by the Disciplinary Committees of the  
Research Grants Council since December 2013**

<b>Nature</b>	<b>No. of cases</b>	<b>No. of researchers involved</b>	<b>Penalty (No. of researchers)</b>
Non-disclosure of similar/related projects in the application form <sup>1</sup>	8	10	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Disqualified in the related funding exercise (3)</li><li>• Disqualified and debarred from all RGC research funding schemes for one year (4)</li><li>• Disqualified and debarred from all RGC research funding schemes for two years (1)</li><li>• Disqualified and debarred from all RGC research funding schemes for five years (2)</li></ul>
Non-disclosure of relationship with nominated reviewers <sup>2</sup>	14	25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Disqualified in the related funding exercise (15)</li><li>• Disqualified and debarred from all RGC research funding schemes for one year (7)</li><li>• Disqualified and debarred from all RGC research funding schemes for two years (3)</li></ul>
Plagiarism	3	3	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Disqualified and debarred from all RGC research funding schemes for two years (1)</li><li>• Disqualified and debarred from all RGC research funding schemes for three years (1)</li><li>• Disqualified and debarred from all RGC research funding schemes for five years (1)</li></ul>
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>38</b>	

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<sup>1</sup> Non-disclosure of similar/related projects in the application form refers to the cases where the researchers fail to provide information on their completed/on-going projects or proposals pending funding approval, etc. in the application form.

<sup>2</sup> Non-disclosure of relationship with nominated reviewers refers to the cases where the researchers fail to provide in the application form whether the reviewers nominated by the researchers are currently employed/ was employed in the same institution; have pre-reviewed the application; or has co-authorship of paper/publications, etc. within a certain period of time.