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University Grants Commission
शिक्षा मंत्रालय, भारत सरकार
(Ministry of Education, Govt. of India)
बहादुर शाह जफर मार्ग नई दिल्ली-110002
Bahadurshah Zafar Marg, New Delhi - 110002



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FD Diary No. 6589

Dated: 01.11.2021

Dated: November, 2021

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No.F.30-581/2021(BSR)

The Under Secretary FD-III Section,
University Grants Commission
Bahadur Shah Zafar Marg,
New Delhi – 110002.

Subject: - Approval-cum-Sanction letter for UGC-BSR Research Start-Up-Grant for newly recruited faculty at Assistant Professors level in Science Departments of various Universities – Release of the grant for the year 2021-2022 under revenue.

Sir,

The University Grants Commission convey its approval and allocate a sum of ₹20,00,000/- (Rupees Twenty Lakh Only) (@10.00 Lakh to each faculty) to the Registrar, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Temporary Academic Block, Dharamshala-176 206, Himachal Pradesh being the UGC-BSR Research Start-Up-Grant for newly recruited faculty at Assistant Professors level of Science Departments.

Accordingly, I am further directed to convey the sanction of the University Grants Commission for payment of ₹16,00,000/- (Rupees Sixteen Lakh only) (80% of the approved Grant of ₹10.00 Lakh to each faculty) to the Registrar, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Temporary Academic Block, Dharamshala-176 206, Himachal Pradesh towards UGC-BSR Research Start-Up-Grant for newly recruited faculty at Assistant Professors level in Science Departments as per details given below, the expenditure to be incurred during 2021-2022.

Name of the Item	Head of Account	Name of Faculty/Professor	Name of Departments	Amount Approved (₹)	Amount being released (₹)
UGC-BSR Start-up grant for newly recruited faculty at Assistant Professors level	3(C)16(X) 31	Dr. Shiwani Berry	Chemistry and Chemical Sciences	10,00,000/-	8,00,000/-
		Dr. Noorjahan	Physics	10,00,000/-	8,00,000/-
				20,00,000/-	16,00,000/-

- "Grantee Institutions of the UGC shall ensure that all the payments of approved items to the beneficiaries/vendors shall be made only through the TSA module of PFMS and assignments received from the UGC through TSA module have to be utilized before 31st March of the year. Balances remaining unutilized at the close of the year (31st March) will lapse to the Government and hence written back in Government Account".
- The sanctioned amount is debit to the major Head 3(C)16(X) 31 and is valid for payment during the financial year 2021-22 only.
- The amount of the Grant shall be drawn by the Under Secretary (Drawing and Disbursing Officer) UGC on the Grants-in-aid bill and shall be disbursed to and credited to the Registrar, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Temporary Academic Block, Dharamshala-176 206, Himachal Pradesh through Electronic mode as per the following details:

a.	Details (Name & Address) of Account Holder	:	The Registrar, Central University of Himachal Pradesh, Temporary Academic Block, Dharamshala-176 206, Himachal Pradesh
b.	Account No.	:	10671301072
c.	Name & Address of Bank Branch	:	Reserve Bank of India, 6, Sansad Marg, Sansad Marg Area, New Delhi-110001
d.	MICR Code	:	-
e.	IFSC Code/ Branch Code	:	RBIS0PFMS01
f.	Type of Account	:	Saving

- The Grant is Subject to the adjustment on the basis of Utilization Certificate in the prescribed proforma submitted by the University/Institution.
- The University / Institution shall maintain proper accounts of the expenditure out of the Grants which shall be utilized only on the approved items of expenditure.
- The University / Institution may follow the General Financial Rules, 2017 and take urgent necessary action to amend their manuals of financial procedures to bring them in conformity with GFRs, 2017 and those don't have their own approved manuals on financial procedures may adopt the provisions of GFRs, 2017 and instructions/guideline there under from time to time.

8. The Utilization Certificate to the effect that the grant has been utilized for the purpose for which it has been sanctioned shall be furnished to the UGC as early as possible after the close of the current financial year.
9. The assets acquired wholly or substantially out of University Grants Commission's Grant shall not be disposed or encumbered or utilized for the purposes other than those for which the grants were given, without proper sanction of the UGC and should at any time the University ceased to function, such assets shall revert to the University Grants Commission.
10. A Register of Assets acquired wholly or substantially out of the grant shall be maintained by the University in the prescribed proforma.
11. The grantee institution shall ensure the utilization of grants-in-aid for which it is being sanctioned / paid. In case of non-utilization/part utilization thereof, simple interest @ 10 % per annum as amended from time to time on the unutilized amount from the date of drawal to the date of refund as per provisions contained in General Financial Rules of Govt. of India, will be charged.
12. The University / Institution shall follow strictly the Government of India / UGC's guidelines regarding implementation of the reservation policy [both vertical (for SC, ST & OBC) and horizontal (for persons with disability etc.)] in teaching and non-teaching posts.
13. The University / Institution shall fully implement the Official Language Policy of Union Government and comply with the Official Language Act, 1963 and Official Languages (Use for Official Purposes of the Union) Rules, 1976 etc.
14. The sanction is issued in exercise of the delegation of powers vide UGC Order No. 130/2013 [F.No. 10-11/12 (Admn. IA & B)] dated 28/5/2013.
15. The University / Institution shall strictly follow the UGC Regulations on curbing the menace of Ragging in Higher Education Institutions, 2009.
16. The University / Institution shall take immediate action for its accreditation by National Assessment & Accreditation Council (NAAC).
17. The accounts of the University / Institution will be open for audit by the Comptroller & Auditor General of India in accordance with the provisions of General Financial Rules, 2017.
18. The annual accounts i.e. balance sheet, income and expenditure statement and statement of receipts and payments are to be prepared strictly in accordance with the Uniform Format of Accounting prescribed by Government.
19. This issues with the concurrence of IFD vide Diary No. 2381 Dated 01.10.2021.
20. This issues with the approval of Chairman, UGC vide Diary No. 45483 Dated:08.10.2021.

Noted in BCR Register 2021-2022 at P.No...57 & S.No. 70

Yours faithfully,

(Megha Kaushik)
Education Officer

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:-

1. The Registrar,
Central University of Himachal Pradesh,
Temporary Academic Block,
Dharamshala-176 206, Himachal Pradesh,
He/She is requested to abide by these instructions/guidelines of sanction order.
2. The Secretary (Education) to the State Government of Himachal Pradesh,
Dharamshala.
3. The Head,
Department of Chemistry and Chemical Sciences/ Physics
Central University of Himachal Pradesh,
Temporary Academic Block,
Dharamshala-176 206, Himachal Pradesh,
4. Dr. Shiwani Berry
Assistant Professor,
Department of Chemistry and Chemical Sciences
Central University of Himachal Pradesh,
Temporary Academic Block,
Dharamshala-176 206, Himachal Pradesh,
5. Dr. Noorjahan
Assistant Professor,
Department of Physics
Central University of Himachal Pradesh,
Temporary Academic Block,
Dharamshala-176 206, Himachal Pradesh,
6. The Director General of Audit,
Central Revenues, AGCR Building,
I.P. Estate, New Delhi.
7. Guard file

(Poonam Arora)
Section Officer



Dr. Richa Sharma
Deputy Director
SCD Division (In-charge)
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Indian Council of Social Science Research
(Ministry of Education)
JNU Institutional Area, Aruna Asaf Ali Marg
New Delhi – 110067
Website: www.icssr.org

SANCTION ORDER

F.No. 269/CRP-2023-155/NEP20/SCD

Dated: 26-09-2023

To,
The Registrar
Central University of Himachal Pradesh
Himachal Pradesh, 176215

Subject: Sanction of **Short-term Empirical Research Project (Collaborative/Individual)** entitled **“Teachers’ Awareness, Perceptions and Preparedness towards National Education Policy 2020: A study of Pathankot and Kangra Districts”** to **Dr. Shivarama Rao K, Central University of Himachal Pradesh**

Dear Sir/Madam,

1. The Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) has approved the award of **“Teachers’ Awareness, Perceptions and Preparedness towards National Education Policy 2020: A study of Pathankot and Kangra Districts”** the above Research Project submitted by **Dr. Shivarama Rao K** of your Institution.
2. The study, as proposed by the researcher, is to be located at and financially administered by your institution as per the guidelines of this award.
3. The ICSSR has sanctioned a grant-in-aid of **Rs. 1000000/-** for the above research project and the grant will be released as follows:

First instalment (50 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid)	: Rs. 500000/-
Second instalment (25 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid)	: Rs. 250000/-
Final instalment (25 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid)	: Rs. 250000/-
Total	: Rs. 1000000/-
Overhead charges over and above	
7.5% or maximum Rs.1,00,000	: Rs. 75000/-

4. The **First** installment of the approved grant-in-aid will be released after receiving the grant-in-aid bill duly filled in, stamped and signed by the Project Director as well as the affiliating organization.
5. As the study involves empirical research, the finalized schedules/questionnaires (2 copies) designed to elicit information should be sent to the ICSSR as per the following schedule:
 - a) If the schedule /questionnaire for eliciting information is as per standard questionnaire, these will have to be sent to ICSSR immediately,
 - b) If the schedule /questionnaire for eliciting information are to be designed afresh keeping in view the requirements of the project, these will have to be sent to the ICSSR within a period of two months in any case.

6. The Second instalment will be released after receiving a satisfactory **three months** progress report, data summary report, along with a statement of expenditure for the first instalment and Grant-in-Aid Bill for second installment.
7. The Third and Final instalment will be released on receipt of (a) Satisfactory book length of the Final Report (Two Hard Copies plus one Soft Copy in Pen-Drive) in the publishable form after incorporating all corrections, suggestions of the expert; (b) soft and 2 hard copies of Executive Summary of Final Report; (c) Statement of accounts with Utilization Certificate in GFR of 12A form for the entire project amount duly signed by the Finance Officer/Registrar/Principal/Director of the affiliating institution (d) A certificate of statement of assets and books purchased out of the project fund issued by the affiliating institution. (e) The Grant-in-Aid Bill for the third installment.
8. Research undertaken by a Project Director may be reviewed by the Monitoring and Advisory Committee constituted by ICSSR and the project may be discontinued/ terminated, if research progress is found unsatisfactory or any ICSSR rules/guidelines are violated.
9. The Project Coordinator/Project Director would organize a workshop before submission of the final report. The workshop would deliberate on data collection process, compilation, organization and analyses of data on the respective scheme/policy initiative.
10. The ICSSR reserves all rights to publish the project funded by it, provided the work is recommended for publication by the ICSSR appointed expert/experts. In case, ICSSR approves the publication of the research work, the scholar should acknowledge that the project has been sponsored by the ICSSR, in all publications resulting from the project output (Research Paper, Books, Articles, Reports, etc.) and should submit a copy of the same to the ICSSR.
11. The Contingency Grant may be utilized for research and office assistance, books, stationary, computer cost, research assistance and the field work expenses of Project Coordinator, Co-Project Directors and research personnel connected with the research work.
12. The University/ Institution of affiliation will provide to the scholar office accommodation including furniture, library and research facilities and messenger services. For this, the ICSSR shall pay to the University/Institution of affiliation **overhead charges @7.5%** or maximum Rs. 1,00,000/- of the total expenditure incurred on the project only after successful completion of the project.
13. The accounts and the Utilization Certificate will be signed by the Finance Officer/Registrar/Principal/Director in the case of accounts of the institution are audited by CAG/AG. Otherwise, they need to be signed by the Finance Officer and the Chartered Account.
14. The Project Coordinator/ Project Director of the research project will be **Dr. Shivarama Rao K**, who will be responsible for the completion of the research project within **5/6 Months** from the date of commencement of the project, which is **10.09.2023** as intimated by the scholar.
15. In case, the Project Coordinator/Project Director fails to submit the periodic / final project report as per schedule with adequate justification, the scholar will be debarred from availing all financial assistance from ICSSR in future.
16. All grants from ICSSR are subject to the general provision of GFR 2017 and in particular with reference to the provision contained in GFR 209, GFR 210, GFR 211 and GFR 212.
17. The Project Coordinator/Project Director will ensure that the expenditure incurred by him conforms to the approved budget heads. The grant-in-aid is subject to all the conditions laid down in the **Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) Research Projects available in the ICSSR website www.icssr.org**
18. The expenditure on this account is debatable to the **Budget Head-ICSSR (Scheme Code 0877); OH 31.09 Research Projects.**

19. All instalments will be transferred through Public Finance Management System (PFMS) and ICSSR shall implement the EAT module for ensuring transparency of expenditure at all levels and to ensure that there is no parking of funds.
20. As per the instruction from MoE, the amount of grant sanctioned herein is to be utilized by **the end of the project duration**. The unspent amount shall be refunded to the ICSSR immediately on the expiry of the duration of the project. If the grantee fails to utilize the grant for the purpose for which the same has been sanctioned/or fails to submit the audited statement of expenditure within the stipulated period/ or fails to submit the final report within the stipulated time, the grantee will be required to refund the amount of the grant released with a penal interest thereon @ 10% per annum.

Yours faithfully,

(Sd/- Dr. Richa Sharma)
For MEMBER-SECRETARY

Encl: as above.

Copy to:

1. **Dr. Shivarama Rao K**
Associate Professor & Head
Dept. of Library & Information Science
School of Mathematics, Computers &
Information Science
Shahpur Parisar
Central University of Himachal Pradesh (CUHP)
Himachal Pradesh 176206
2. Dr. Dimple Patel, Dept. of Library & Information Science
School of Mathematics, Computers & Information Science
Shahpur Parisar, Central University of Himachal Pradesh
(CUHP) Shahpur, Dist. Kangra, Himachal Pradesh - 176206
3. Dr. Manpreet Arora, Assistant Professor, HPKVBS,
School of Commerce and Management Studies,
Central University of Himachal Pradesh,
Dharamshala, India, Himachal Pradesh
4. Dr Harish Chander, Department of Library &
Information Science, MRS Bhawan,
Guru Nanak Dev University, Amritsar-143005 PUNJAB
5. Finance Branch, ICSSR, New Delhi
6. Record file

(Sd/- Dr. Richa Sharma)
For MEMBER-SECRETARY

PROJECT BUDGET

Title: Teachers' Awareness, Perceptions and Preparedness towards National Education Policy 2020: A study of Pathankot and Kangra Districts

By: Dr. Shivarama Rao K

S. No.	Heads of Expenditure	Value
1	Research Staff: Full time/Part-time/Hired Services	Not exceeding 40% of the total budget.
2	Fieldwork: Travel/Logistics/Boarding, Survey Preparation or Consultancy etc.	Not exceeding 30%
3	Workshop to disseminate the outcomes of the project	Up to 15% (not exceeding INR 2.00 lakh for collaborative research)
4	Equipment and Study material: Computer, Printer, Source Material, Books, Journals, Software, Data Sets etc.	Not exceeding 10%
5	Contingency	Not exceeding 5%
	Institutional Overheads (over and above the total cost of the project)	Affiliating Institutional overheads @ 7.5% of the approved budget , subject to a maximum limit of Rs 1,00,000/-

➤ Remuneration and Emoluments of Project Staff

(a) Project staff could be engaged by the Project Coordinator/Project Director on a full/ part-time basis during the research work and the duration/consolidated monthly emoluments of their employment may be decided by the Project Coordinator/Project Director within the limits of the sanctioned financial allocation and as per the ICSSR rules.

(b) Research Associate @ Rs.40,000/- p.m.. (Qualification – Post graduate in any social science discipline with minimum 55% marks and NET/SLET/M.Phil/Ph.D)

(c) Research Assistant @ Rs.32,000/-p.m.(Qualification-Ph.D./M.Phil./ Post graduate in social science discipline with minimum 55%)

(d) Field Investigator @ Rs.30,000/-p.m. (not exceeding 3 months) (Qualification- Post graduate in any social science discipline with minimum 55% marks)

(e) Retrospective payment for work already done is not permissible.

➤ **Re-appropriation:** The Institution may re-appropriate expenditure from one head to another up to 10% of the sanctioned budget with the prior approval of the ICSSR.

➤ **Selection of Research Staff** should be done through an advertisement and a selection committee consisting of (1) Project Coordinator/ project Director; (2) One outside Expert (other than the Institute where the project is located); (4) Head of the Department/Dean of relevant faculty.

➤ **For all field work related expenses** of Project Coordinator/Project Director, Co-Project Director and project personnel, rules pertaining to affiliating institutes shall be followed.

➤ **All equipment and books** purchased out of the project fund shall be the property of the affiliating institutions. On completion of the study, the Project Coordinator/ Project Director shall submit an undertaking in this regard. The ICSSR, however, reserves the right to take charge of equipment and books, if it thinks it fit in a case.

➤ **Purchase of equipment/ assets** for the Research Project is permissible only if it is originally proposed and approved by the ICSSR and does not exceed the permissible amount.

➤ **No publication/presentation** in any form related the awarded research shall be made by the researcher or any member of the research team without prior approval of the ICSSR



14th August, 2024

Dr. Shivarama Rao K
Associate Professor & Head
Department of Library & Information Sciences, Central University of Himachal Pradesh
TAB, Shahpur, Kangra
Himachal Pradesh, 176206
India

Dear Dr. Shivarama Rao K,

On behalf of ORCID, Inc. ("ORCID"), I am pleased to inform you that a grant of \$6,116 (the "Grant") for the period from **1st September 2024** through **31st August 2025** (the "Grant Term") has been awarded to Department of Library & Information Sciences, Central University of Himachal Pradesh (the "Grantee") to support Grantee's participation in ORCID's Global Participation Program, as described in the proposal and budget submitted by the Grantee on 2nd May, 2024 and attached as Exhibit A (the "Grant Project").

The Grant shall be paid in US dollars within thirty (30) days of ORCID's receipt of a countersigned copy of this agreement (this "Agreement").

The Grant shall be paid in 2 installments as set forth below:

Target Date	Amount
Upon Grantee's counter-signature	[\$4,893 = 80% of Grant]
Upon Grantee presenting satisfactory documentation of Grant Project completion	[\$1,223 = 20% of Grant]

Each subsequent payment shall be contingent on Grantee being in full compliance with this Agreement, including reporting and meeting any applicable milestones.

General Terms of Grant

The Grantee agrees:

1. To use the Grant only for charitable, educational or scientific purposes as described under Section 501(c)(3) of the US Internal Revenue Code, and specifically the Grant Project and in accordance with the terms of this Agreement;
2. Not to expend the Grant for any purpose other the Grant Project, and to return to ORCID any portion of the Grant not used for the Grant Project;
3. To obtain ORCID's prior approval for extensions of the Grant Term;
4. That ORCID may, at its discretion, include information regarding the Grant and Grantee on ORCID's website or other media, including Grantee's name and logo/trademark, information from Grantee's proposal and the Grant Project.



Accounting and Reporting Requirements

The Grantee agrees to the following accounting and reporting requirements for the Grant:

1. To maintain adequate financial records for the Grant consistent with generally accepted accounting practices and retain such records for at least four (4) years after the conclusion of the Grant Term;
2. To provide ORCID with written narrative and financial reports detailing the Grantee's expenditure of the Grant and Grant Project outcomes, as follows:

Date	Report Type
30th September, 2025	Final Financial and Narrative

At ORCID's request, the Grantee shall provide ORCID with additional updates on the Grant Project; and

3. To permit ORCID to conduct evaluations and audits of the Grant Project, which may involve visits to observe or virtual calls to review and discuss the Grantee's operations, financial records, and other materials connected with the Grant Purpose.

Major Changes and Breaches

The Grantee acknowledges and agrees to the following terms and conditions with respect to major changes to the Grant and breaches of this Agreement:

1. The Grantee agrees to immediately notify ORCID in writing regarding any situations that have impacted or could significantly impact (i) the Grantee's ability to carry out the Grant Project, and/or more generally (ii) Grantee's financial viability, programmatic activities or operations (including without limitation, changes to the Grantee's nonprofit or tax-exempt status or classification, changes to the Grantee's core mission or purposes, changes to the Grantee's key staff or management, or sanctions inquiries or investigations). ORCID may change the terms of the Grant, or terminate the Grant if such changes or other situations occur; and
2. ORCID also may change the terms of the Grant or may terminate the Grant if it discovers that the (i) the Grantee has used the Grant other than for the Grant Purpose, or (ii) the Grantee has failed to provide ORCID with the reporting required under this Agreement or has otherwise breached this Agreement, and the Grantee does not cure such failure or breach promptly upon ORCID's request.
3. If the Grant is terminated, ORCID shall immediately stop funding the Grantee (including making no further payments on the Grant), and the Grantee shall (i) provide the ORCID with Grant-related information or materials reasonably requested by the ORCID, and (ii) at ORCID's request, immediately return the unexpended amount of the Grant to ORCID.

Grantee Representations and Warranties

The Grantee makes the following representations and warranties:

1. Grantee is fully authorized to enter into this Grant Agreement, and the person signing on behalf of Grantee is fully authorized to do so;



2. No goods and services have been or will be provided directly to ORCID or any of ORCID's directors or officers or their family members in connection with the Grant;
3. Grantee is, and shall remain during the period that the Grant remains outstanding, in full compliance with all United States and other applicable laws, statutes, and regulations governing Grantee, including, without limitation, those (i) related to money-laundering, (ii) related to violence, terrorist activity or the training of terrorists, (iii) administered or enforced by the U.S. Treasury Department's Office of Foreign Assets Control ("OFAC"), including restrictions on transactions and dealings (direct or indirect) in and involving countries and territories subject to comprehensive OFAC sanctions (currently Cuba, Iran, Syria, North Korea, the Crimea Region of Ukraine and and the so-called People's Republics of Luhansk and Donetsk) ("Sanctioned Countries"), the governments of Sanctioned Countries, and parties on the Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List (www.treasury.gov/sdn) (the "SDN List"), (iv) governing foreign corrupt practices (including bribery), (v) related to any licensure, permitting or other approvals necessary to carry on the Grantee's work, and (vi) pertaining to the use and management of charitable funds. Without limiting the foregoing, the Grantee agrees that it will not directly or indirectly use Grant funds to provide services or support to, and will not sub-grant Grant funds to, any person or entity that is (i) on the SDN List, (ii) operating, organized, or resident in a Sanctioned Country, (iii) the government of a Sanctioned Country or the Government of Venezuela, or (iv) owned or controlled by, or operating for or on behalf of, any such person. In addition, Grantee will maintain in place policies, procedures and safeguards to ensure compliance with OFAC sanctions, including all executive orders, regulations and rules relating, administered or enforced by OFAC in response to Russia's invasion of Ukraine.
4. The Grantee acknowledges ORCID is making this Grant on the basis of the representation and warranties set forth above.

In addition, the Grantee agrees to take any actions necessary and reasonable to enable ORCID to comply with any applicable laws, including without limitation, matters relating to ORCID's tax-exempt status, to the extent those actions are within the Grantee's discretion and control.

Miscellaneous

This Agreement constitutes the full understanding between the Grantee and ORCID concerning this Grant, and the Grantee agrees that it is not relying on any representation of ORCID, except as set forth in this Agreement. No supplement, amendment, or modification of this Agreement shall be binding unless it is in writing and signed by authorized representatives of each of the parties. Notwithstanding the foregoing, ORCID may elect in its sole discretion to approve by email a no-cost extension on the Grant Term of less than one year. If there is any conflict between the body of this Agreement, and any attachments (including, without limitation, a proposal and budget), the body of this Agreement shall govern. This Agreement may not be assigned without the consent of ORCID. This Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which shall constitute one and the same agreement. The signatures of the authorized representatives of the parties to this Agreement, which are scanned and sent by e-mail or facsimile transmission, shall have the same force and effect as original signatures.



This Agreement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New York, without regard to its conflict of laws provisions.

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The Grantee agrees to send all reports and other communications required to be provided under this Agreement to Lombe Tembo at grants@orcid.org.

Please have an authorized representative sign below and also complete the attached bank information form

On behalf of ORCID, I extend every good wish for the success of the Grantee's work and participation in ORCID.

Sincerely,

Chris Shillum
Executive Director

Agreed to and accepted by:
Department of Library & Information
Sciences, Central University of
Himachal Pradesh

Dr. Shivarama Rao K
Associate Professor & Head



Bank Information Form

Please complete the details of the bank account to which you'd like the grant funds to be paid below:

Account Holder Information	
Account Name:	
Account Address:	
Account Phone Number:	
Bank Information	
Bank Name:	
Bank Address:	
Bank Phone Number:	
Account Information	
Type of Account:	<input type="checkbox"/> Checking/Current <input type="checkbox"/> Savings <input type="checkbox"/> Other (<i>please specify below</i>)
Account Number:	
Swift code (if applicable):	
IBAN (if applicable):	
Routing Number (if applicable):	
Branch Code (if applicable):	
BIC Code (if applicable):	
Other (please specify)	
Currency of bank account:	

Creating Persistent Digital Presence of Researcher

Grants for Community Development and Outreach (2024-Q2)

CHRIS IVO

Grant Principal Investigator Name

Priya Rangra

Project Name

Creating Persistent Digital Presence of Researcher

Project Description

Goal of this project is to establish a persistent online presence of every researcher of India. Each week, 3 to 4 webinars will be conducted in collaboration with institutions. Following webinars, an online quiz will be conducted, with winners receiving merchandise and being recognized as ambassadors. This initiative will not only help prospective researchers enhance their digital discoverability but will also benefit ORCID by building a comprehensive database of academic institutions in India.

How widely and deeply will the project benefit the focus communities

India boasts over 50,000 academic institutions, many of which are unrepresented in ORCID. This project seeks to address this gap by facilitating ORCID in building a comprehensive database of Indian academic institutions, complete with full records. The proposed initiative plans to conduct three to four district-wise webinars per week, totaling 200 webinars in a year. These collaborative webinars will engage colleges across India's 786 districts. The project aims to reach target of 400-500 colleges with audience of around 8000-10,000 researchers and faculty members from academic institutions of India.

Who is involved in your project?

The project will engage the team of Central University of Himachal Pradesh, along with numerous colleges and universities across India. Additionally, the previous two ORCID GPF grantees from India, namely INFLIBNET and IIT Delhi, will also be invited to collaborate to ensure the success of this project. Upon completion of the project, we are confident that every college, university, and research lab will have an ORCID profile. This widespread adoption will facilitate government agencies in developing systems that seamlessly integrate with ORCID, thereby enhancing efficiency and data management in the academic domain.

Why this project?

Recently, the UGC announced that students with four-year UG can now pursue PhD programs in India. Previously, this opportunity was limited to PG who had completed two years of study after their UG. This policy change is expected to lead to a significant increase in PhD enrollments in the coming years, with aspiring researchers from various colleges joining doctoral programs and engaging in research at universities. Additionally, upon exploring the ORCID interface, we noticed a lack of representation for many colleges from a list of over 50,000 academic institutions. These observations motivated us to implement this project, aiming to create a visible online research community in India.

How is the project structured?

The project consists of three key steps: Initiation, Training, and Reporting.

Initiation: Within the first 45 days after receiving the project grant, a short-term project personnel will be hired to compile a list of colleges and segregate them district-wise. A schedule plan will be drafted to determine which colleges and districts will be included.

Training: Every week, 03 to 04 webinars will be conducted. Following each webinar, a quiz will be held, with three winners identified as ambassadors who will be Single Point of Contact.

Reporting: All webinars will be recorded and shared under a public license. Final report detailing the project's activities and outcomes will be submitted.

How does your project build upon or contribute to other new or existing programs, infrastructure, or previous work?

The proposed project benefits from the extensive experience and networks of its team members, who are actively engaged in various international initiatives promoting open access and open science.

1. **International Project on Open Access Publishing:** The team is currently involved in an international project funded by the Open Research Funders Group, aimed at establishing a community of researchers advocating for open access publishing. Through workshops and training programs conducted in hybrid mode, the project seeks to maximize outreach and engagement among researchers. This ongoing project provides valuable insights and expertise that can inform the proposed project's strategies and activities.

2. **PI's Connections with International Communities:** The Principal Investigator (PI) of the project is well-connected with various international communities dedicated to advancing open science and scholarly communication. As a Standing Committee member of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA), the PI contributes to initiatives aimed at promoting open access and information sharing within the global library community. Additionally, serving as an Associate Editor for the Directory of Open Access Journals (DOAJ) and a Community Contributor for the Public Knowledge Project (PKP), the PI actively supports the evaluation and indexing of open access journals while also providing educational opportunities to enhance scholarly communication worldwide.

By leveraging the expertise, networks, and ongoing initiatives of its team members, the proposed project is well-positioned to make significant contributions to the promotion of ORCID within the Indian academic community and to create persistent digital presence of the researcher.

Organizational alignment

Central University of Himachal Pradesh is enacted by the Hon'ble Parliament of India under the Central Universities Act 2009. The University is funded and regulated by the University Grants Commission (UGC), the official agency of government of India. The proposed project is as per the vision and mission of our organization to aimed at providing equitable and inclusive access to multidisciplinary higher education for all with a focus on quality, excellence and relevance. To plan and design such innovative mechanism in research and academic activities, and become a incubation center for another institutions.

How do you plan to connect to other programs?

We plan to connect this project with our ongoing ORFG funded awareness and capacity building programme on open access publishing. In order to synergize efforts and maximize impact, we also aim to collaborate with earlier GPF grantee from India, INFLIBNET and IIT DELHI, presents valuable opportunities to tap into their expertise and experiences. While these grantees are focused on conducting in-person workshops, our project can complement their efforts by offering webinar-based training sessions. This approach allows us to extend the reach of our project beyond physical limitations and engage with a broader audience, thereby maximizing the dissemination of ORCID awareness and adoption.

What are your plans once the grant period has finished?

The proposed project presents a sustainable model designed to endure beyond the grant period, ensuring continued impact and effectiveness in promoting ORCID awareness and usage within Indian academia. At its core lies a strategic approach focused on empowering ambassadors, eliminating travel/food/accommodation expenses, fostering community engagement, and adapting to technological advancements. The project establishes a regional hub of knowledgeable individuals capable of spearheading webinar activities long after the end of the funding year. The establishment of a vibrant community of practice fosters collaboration, knowledge sharing, and ongoing engagement among ambassadors and participants, strengthening the project's foundation for continued success. This reliance on internal expertise reduces the project's dependence on external financial support, ensuring its sustainability over time.

The numbers of reaching 300-400 colleges and 8000-10000 researchers are just initial numbers, we aim to continue this project forever even after the completion of the grant year, with regularly conducting webinar/online training sessions and to reach every academic and research institution of India. Further, our network community of practice can even host webinar/training session for neighboring countries of India to become global online community

How much funding are you requesting?

USD 6116

Project budget

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Prof. Avinash Chandra Pandey

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30th April, 2023

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Professor of Physics, Department of Physics &
Astronomical Sciences
Central University of Himachal Pradesh
TAB, Shahpur, Kangra, H.P. - 176206
Phone no: 9418030901

Dear Prof. Sastri,

In continuation of recommendations of the Committee for Academic Affairs (CAA) dated 15/04/2019 read with the approval of Governing Board in its meeting dated 18/04/2023, it gives me great pleasure to inform you that it has been decided to offer you Visiting Associate-ship and Convener of the Board of Examiners. You may be provided flatlet accommodation in the campus and all the secretarial assistance required for the purpose during the training module besides the other assignments as enumerated in IUAC/0.25AA/2051 dated 03/05/2019.


It is pertinent to mention that the concept of trainee scientists and conditions of absorption in service is borrowed from DAE recruitment rules but IUAC does not have a full-fledged training school like DAE system due to sporadic and a smaller number of trainees in a recruitment year. Recently, IUAC has selected 14 Scientists, 07 Engineers, and 05 Junior Engineers in various disciplines, and an offer of appointment to the selected candidates has already been issued. Under these circumstances and keeping in view the requirement of trained and skilled manpower to operate, maintain & repair the facilities without much dependency on imports, the trainees need to be properly skilled and oriented towards the mandate of IUAC for which the following arrangements are being made for the training: -

- formative assessment, maintenance of confidential records, and remedial measures for differential learning with special reference to skilling in desired areas to ensure that the rigorous skilling/ training sessions for newly recruited Trainee-Scientists of IUAC are organized in a blended mode drawing expert in cognate fields from across the world.
- all the lectures shall be recorded for MOOCs in Accelerator-based physics/Radiation Biology/Geo Sciences possibly to be offered from the SWAYAM portal.
- syllabus of the training module shall comprise a systematic body of knowledge for accelerator-based Physics, Radiation Biology, and Geo Sciences and shall be as per a learning outcome-based framework with Course Outcome (CO), Programme Outcome (PO) & Program Educational/Specific Outcome (PE/SO).
- any other pedagogical input that may be recommended by the Board of Examiners for making the training effective and exemplary.

You may kindly contact the undersigned during your stay at IUAC.

Kindly give your acceptance to this officer. We look forward to your visit to IUAC.

With regards,


Yours sincerely,
Avinash C. Pandey

Copy to: S.A.O./A.O. (P)/ A.O. (F&A)/ A.O. (Estate)/Academic Cell to facilitate as per the recommendations
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Prof. Ranjeev Misra
Dean, Visitor Academic Programmes

August 20, 2024

Dr. Surender Verma,
Department of Physics and Astronomical Science,
Central University of Himachal Pradesh,
Shahpur Parisar, District : Kangra,
Himachal Pradesh - 176206

Dear Dr. Verma,

It gives me great pleasure to invite you, on behalf of the Director of IUCAA to become a Visiting Associate of IUCAA from August 1, 2024 for a period of three years. I hope that you will be able to accept this invitation.

The purpose of the Associateship Programme is to help university and college faculty members in their research projects and to encourage interaction between them and the IUCAA faculty. Those selected as Visiting Associates are encouraged to visit IUCAA regularly and to actively participate in the Centre's programmes.

I am enclosing along with this letter of invitation (1) a copy of the letter I have sent to the Vice Chancellor of your University, explaining the programme and requesting him/her to treat your visits to IUCAA under this programme as "on duty", (2) a copy of a letter sent in September 2, 2004 to the Vice-Chancellors of different universities by Professor Arun Nigavekar, the then Chairman of the University Grants Commission (UGC). You may use these letters when you apply for leave for visits to IUCAA, if you find that necessary.

I shall look forward to your response to this letter of invitation by email to <vs@iucaa.in> and hope that you will contribute to IUCAA activities and your research will benefit from your regular visits, participation and advice. The Terms and Conditions of the Associateship Programme are enclosed along with this letter.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Professor Ranjeev Misra

Encl : (1) Copy of the letter sent to the Vice Chancellor of your University;
(2) Copy of the letter sent by UGC; (3) Terms and Conditions of the Associateship Programme.



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IUCAA

Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics

An Autonomous Institution of the University Grants Commission

Prof. Ranjeev Misra
Dean, Visitor Academic Programmes

August 20, 2024

The Vice-Chancellor,
Department of Physics and Astronomical Science,
Central University of Himachal Pradesh,
Shahpur Parisar, District Kangra,
Himachal Pradesh - 176206

Dear Sir / Madam,

As you are aware, the Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA) has been set up by the University Grants Commission (UGC) to promote and nucleate astronomy and astrophysics in the universities and affiliated colleges. To this end, IUCAA has launched a number of programmes on its campus at Pune and also on the campuses of various universities and colleges. In particular, arrangements have been made to facilitate the usage by interested students and faculty of universities and colleges of centralized facilities at Pune, such as an advanced Computer Centre with High Performance Computing facility, a state-of-the-art library, the Instrumentation Laboratory and observational facilities including the Southern African Large Telescope (SALT) at Sutherland. IUCAA is also involved in a number of large projects of national and international importance like ASTROSAT, Aditya-L1 Mission, LIGO-India, the Thirty Metre Telescope, etc.

One major activity in this context is the **Associateship Programme**. Under this programme, faculty members of universities and colleges, who are selected as **Visiting Associates of IUCAA**, can make visits to IUCAA for specified periods to participate in teaching, training, research and development activities in astronomy and astrophysics. For such purposes, the universities and colleges are encouraged to regard IUCAA as their field station, whose facilities are at their disposal. Indeed, Professor Arun Nigavekar, the then Chairman of the UGC, has written in 2004 to all the University Vice-Chancellors urging them to look upon IUCAA in this spirit and to make it possible for the Visiting Associates to use its facilities to the maximum extent possible. I enclose for your ready reference a copy of this letter from the then Chairman.

IUCAA selects a limited number of faculty every year to its Associateship Programme. I am happy to inform you that **Dr. Surender Verma** from your University has been selected as a Visiting Associate for three years from August 1, 2024. Under the Associateship Programme, IUCAA will pay the travel and per diem of the Visiting Associates coming to IUCAA for their scientific work.

I do hope that you will encourage Dr. Verma to take advantage of this offer. I request you to treat Dr. Verma's stay at IUCAA as a part of his duties and to provide him with leave as "*on duty*" so that he can make good use of his Associateship. I enclose the Terms and Conditions of the Associateship Programme for your information.

With kind regards,

Sincerely,

Professor Ranjeev Misra

Encl : (i) UGC Chairman's Letter. (ii) Terms and Conditions of Associateship Programme.

Cc : Dr. Surender Verma, Central University of Himachal Pradesh Shahpur Parisar, Himachal Pradesh - 176206

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September 2, 2004

Dear

The University Grants Commission has set up a number of Inter-University Centres and Consortia in order to provide front line research and developmental facilities to the staff and students from universities and colleges in selected thrust areas. It is extremely important, therefore, that the prospective users of the Inter-University Centres are freely permitted to participate in their various programmes as if they are "on duty". In some universities, it is noted that the scholars' visits were not considered as on duty.

Amongst such Centres, the Inter-University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics (IUCAA) has an Associateship programme under which selected Associates from universities and colleges are invited to visit IUCAA as Associates of the Centre. Each Associate has a tenure of three years, which can be renewed depending on his/her performance, in teaching, research and developmental activities. It is understood that during these three years, the Associate visits IUCAA several times for visits of at least two weeks duration at a time, without compromising with his/her lecturing and other duties in the parent institution. Their visits are fully covered by IUCAA and hence has no financial implication to the university/college.

IUCAA has a number of facilities like an excellent Library, state of the art Computer Centre, Virtual Observatory as well as an Instrumentation Laboratory where the university staff members can make their own Instruments as well as participate in collaborative instrumentation projects. As of now, IUCAA has over eighty Associates on its roll. In order to improve their efficiency, it is important that they are permitted to take advantage of these facilities as much as possible.

I, therefore, urge you to facilitate the participation of Associates from your Institution in the above programme by treating their leave of absence as on duty when they visit IUCAA, which is specifically created by the University Grants Commission as a common facility for all universities.

With kind regards,

Yours sincerely,

(Arun Nigavekar)

To the Vice Chancellors of 150 UGC Funded Universities

Copy to:

1. ✓ Prof. Naresh Dadhich, Director, Inter University Centre for Astronomy and Astrophysics, IUCAA, Post Box No. 4, Ganeshkhind Road, Pune - 411 007.
2. Dr. P. Prakash, JS (T/IUC), UGC, New Delhi.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF IUCAA's ASSOCIATESHIP PROGRAMME

- Visiting Associateship is awarded to a faculty member of a college, university department or institution, which has the status of a university recognized by the UGC.
- Visiting Associateship is awarded for a period of three years at a time. If a Visiting Associate ceases to have a formal link with a college or university during the period of an Associateship, then the Associateship will come to an end. Information regarding such a change should immediately be conveyed to the Dean, Visitor Academic Programmes.
- A Visiting Associate should visit IUCAA at least once during each academic year, which extends from August 1 to July 31. A maximum of three visits may be made during each academic year.
- A visit under the Visiting Associateship programme is expected to be at least of 15 days duration. A maximum of 150 days can be spent at IUCAA during any one academic year.
- During the three year period of a Visiting Associateship, there can be a maximum of six visits, totaling to a maximum of 365 days.
- Visit requests must be made by sending an email to Dean, Visitor Academic Programmes with a copy marked to Administrative Officer, Visitor Academic Programmes. The email should provide the following details.

1. Your name and affiliation
2. Name(s) and relationship(s) of accompanying persons, if any
3. Arrival and Departure dates at IUCAA
4. Travel support, if needed

- **Travel:** Please buy your tickets only after receiving a confirmation email approving the visit request. It is expected that journeys will generally be by air or rail or road by the direct shortest route. All Visiting Associates are entitled to travel by Air/Train AC-II tier. Travel reimbursement will normally be only to the extent of the actual class of travel up to AC-II tier. The claimant will have to produce to and fro tickets/copies of tickets and Boarding Pass(s) in case of air travel.

Limited funds are available for air travel of Visiting Associates. Air travel may be permitted subject to the following conditions:

- (a) Grade Pay of the claimant is at least Rs. 5400/- (Level: 09) or equivalent per month.
- (b) The claimant stays at IUCAA for a minimum of 15 days.
- (c) Air tickets have to be booked **only** from the three government authorized travel agencies [M/s. Balmer Lawrie & Co. Ltd. (BPCL); M/s. Ashok Travels & Tours (ATT); Indian Railways Catering and Tourism Corporation Ltd. (IRCTC)]. Tickets booked directly through airline websites cannot be reimbursed.

Even when these conditions are satisfied, **prior approval from the Dean, Visitor Academic Programmes** will have to be obtained. Air travel over special sectors, especially in the North-Eastern parts of the country and in special circumstances may be permitted even when the conditions (a) and (b) are not met. Details about this may be had from the Administrative Officer (Visitor Services). The air travel will have to be by the shortest direct route. Those who are not eligible for air travel can choose to travel by air with the understanding that they will be reimbursed only to the extent of eligible train fare or actual air fare, whichever is lower.

- **Daily Allowance (DA):** Visiting Associates are paid DA @ Rs. 900/- per day with free lodging. Charges for Canteen, Cable TV and cooking gas, wherever applicable, will be recovered.
- **Acknowledgement:** Visiting Associates who use the IUCAA facilities for research work leading to publications should acknowledge IUCAA in their publication.
- **Accommodation:** We try to ensure that Visiting Associates are accommodated whenever they wish to visit IUCAA. However, there is very high demand during vacations, when most visitors like to come to IUCAA. All intending visitors are, therefore, urged to write to us about their plans for a stay at IUCAA at least two months in advance. This is particularly necessary for family accommodation, since the number of units, which can accommodate families is very limited. Please write to us well in advance with alternative dates and await confirmation from us. You will be guaranteed accommodation on arrival at IUCAA only if you have a word of confirmation sent by us.

- IUCAA organizes a number of conferences, workshops, meetings etc. round the year. The details of these events are available at the [IUCAA Events webpage](#). Visiting Associates are encouraged to apply for attending these events which are of their interest. If you are not a participant of an event, especially a large one, it may difficult to obtain accommodation in the guest house during those periods.
- Visit by research students of Visiting Associates:** Ph. D. Students of Visiting Associates are also encouraged to visit IUCAA and use its facilities for their research. The Visiting Associate should write to the Dean, Visitor Academic Programmes, to recommend such visits. The email should provide the following details.

- Your name and affiliation
- Name, Affiliation and Gender of the student
- Year and status of the student's research work
- Arrival and Departure dates at IUCAA
- If you would be visiting IUCAA at the same time as the student. If not, who at IUCAA will act as a host
- Is travel support needed (please see conditions below)

At a given time, only one student of a Visiting Associate can visit IUCAA. It is not essential for the guide/the concerned Visiting Associate to be present at the time of a student's visit, except for students who are visiting for the first time.

The DA entitlement for research students (registered for Ph.D.) is Rs. 500/- per day with free lodging, and canteen will be charged. They are entitled to travel by train by AC Chair Car or AC –II tier by the direct shortest route. The tickets/copies of the tickets will have to be submitted with the claim. However, the following provisions apply:

Research Students with fellowship: Students with fellowship will have to normally pay for travel from their contingency grant. When such a grant is not adequate, approval should be sought in advance by writing to the Dean, Visitor Academic Programmes for travel reimbursement.

Research Students without fellowship: They will be paid for their travel and DA (with free lodging; canteen will be charged), for the full period of their stay. The guide of such students will have to certify that the student does not have fellowship.

At the end of the visit, all students are required to submit a report to the Dean, Visitor Academic Programmes about the work done at IUCAA.

- Canteen charges** at present are as follows :

Services	IUCAA members, Visiting Associates, Visiting Students, Visiting Post-docs and IUCAA Visitors	All others
Breakfast	Rs. 30.00	Rs. 60.00
Lunch	Rs. 44.00	Rs. 88.00
Dinner	Rs. 44.00	Rs. 88.00
Tea	Rs. 7.00	Rs. 14.00
Coffee	Rs. 9.00	Rs. 18.00

Family members of Visiting Associates will have to pay charges applicable to “*All others*” category.

- Canteen Timings :**

Services	Timings	Venue
Breakfast	08:30 – 09:30 hrs.	Canteen
Morning Tea/Coffee	10:30 – 11:15 hrs.	Canteen
Lunch	13:00 – 14:00 hrs.	Canteen
Afternoon Tea/Coffee	15:30 – 16:15 hrs.	Canteen
Dinner	20:00 – 21:00 hrs.	Canteen

- Library Timings :**

All working days : 09:00 hrs. till 20:00 hrs.
 Saturday, Sunday & Closed : 10:30 hrs till 19:00 hrs.
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F. No. ICSSR/RPD/MN/2023-24/G/151

Dated. 29.12.2023

To,

The Registrar
Central University of Himachal Pradesh,
Parishar-2, Dharamshala
Himachal Pradesh- 176215

Subject:	Sanction of Research Project entitled "योगिक ग्रंथों में प्रतिपादित अभ्यास और वैराग्य की अद्य प्रासंगिकता) अव्यवस्थित मानवीय जीवनशैल(" to Dr. Charchit Kumar under ICSSR Research Projects (Minor) 2023-24.
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Dear Sir/Madam,

1. The Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) approved the award of Research Project entitled "योगिक ग्रंथों में प्रतिपादित अभ्यास और वैराग्य की अद्य प्रासंगिकता) अव्यवस्थित मानवीय जीवनशैल(" submitted by Dr. Charchit Kumar of your Institution.
2. The study, as proposed by the researcher, is to be located at and financially administered by your institution as per the guidelines of this award.
3. As per the evaluation/Interaction Committee decision, project director is required to carry out the following Suggestions in the Project:NIL.....
4. The ICSSR has sanctioned a grant-in-aid of Rs.500000/- (**Rupees Five Lacs Only**) for the above research project and the grant will be released as follows:

First instalment (50 % of the awarded grant)	Rs.250000/-
Second instalment (40 % of the awarded grant)	Rs.200000 /-
Final instalment (10 % of the awarded grant)	Rs.50000/-
Total	<u>Rs.500000 /-</u>
Overhead charges over and above (7.5% of the awarded grant, subject to a maximum limit of Rs.1,00,000) (Released after successful completion of project)	Rs.37500/-

5. **The first installment** (50% from the total awarded grant) will be released after completing the necessary formalities of joining by the Project Director along with the grant-in-aid bill (GIB) duly filled in, stamped and signed by the Project Director as well as the affiliating organization. (Needs to submit, if not yet submitted as per the award letter instructions).
6. The Project Director needs to submit a satisfactory six months Progress Report (as per the format provided in website) during the project period. In case, the study involves survey research, the finalized schedules/questionnaires designed to elicit information should be sent to the ICSSR along with the progress report.
7. **The Second Instalment** (40% from the total awarded grant) will be released after receiving book length Final Report in soft copy (both word and PDF format), Executive Summary of Final Report in soft copy (both word and PDF format), 500 words abstract of the Final Report

in soft copy, one research paper published in peer reviewed journal duly acknowledging ICSSR, similarity index score (Plagiarism check) sheet (maximum allowed 10%), simple statement of accounts with 60% and above utilisation from the already released grant along with grant-in-aid bill towards the second instalment. Project Director is required to submit hard copies of the Final Report only after the confirmation from the ICSSR after incorporating the suggested changes.

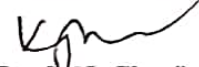
8. **Third and Final instalment** (remaining 10% from the total awarded grant) will be issued after receipt of recommendation of the expert for acceptance of the Final Report. Audited statement of accounts (AC) in prescribed format with utilization certificate (UC) in GFR-12A form for the entire approved project amount duly signed by the Finance Officer/Registrar/Director of the affiliating Institution, verification of all documents and decision on retaining of equipment and books etc. The institutions of which the accounts are not audited by CAG/AG, their utilisation certificate will be signed by the Finance Officer and a chartered accountant.
9. The scholar needs to acknowledge the support of ICSSR in all publications resulting from the project output (Research Paper, Books, Articles, etc.) and should submit a copy of the same to the ICSSR during its course/after completion.
10. The University/Institution of affiliation will provide office accommodation to the scholar, including furniture, library and research facilities, and messenger services. For this, the ICSSR shall pay the overhead charges at 7.5 % of the awarded budget of the project, subject to a maximum limit of Rs. 1, 00,000/- to the University/Institution of affiliation only after the successful completion of the project.
11. The accounts and the Utilization Certificate will be signed by the Finance Officer / Registrar / Principal / Director in the case of accounts of the institution are audited by CAG/AG. Otherwise, they need to be signed by the Finance Officer and the Chartered Account.
12. The Director of the research project will be **Dr. Charchit Kumar**, who will be responsible for its completion within **12 Months** from the date of commencement of the project, which is **15th January 2024** as intimated by the scholar.
13. In case, the Project Director does not submit the periodic / final project report as per schedule with adequate justification, the scholar may be asked to refund the entire sanction amount and also debarred from availing all future financial assistance from the ICSSR.
14. All grants from the ICSSR are subject to the general provision of GFR 2005 and in particular with reference to the provision contained in GFR 209, GFR 210, GFR 211 and GFR 212.
15. The Project Director will ensure that the expenditure incurred, to be with in the approved budget and the grant-in-aid is subject to all the conditions laid down in the guidelines of the Research Projects.
16. The expenditure on this account is debatable to the **Budget Head-ICSSR (Scheme Code 0877); OH 31.09 Research Projects**.
17. All project instalments will be transferred through EAT Module of Public Financial Management System (PFMS) / RBI Account for ensuring transparency of expenditure at all levels and to ensure that there is no parking of funds with affiliating institution.
18. As per Ministry of Education, Govt. of India instructions, the amount of grant sanctioned herein is to be utilized **by the end of the project duration**. Any amount of the grant remaining unspent shall be refunded to the ICSSR immediately after the expiry of the duration of the project. If the grantee fails to utilize the grant for the purpose for which the same has been sanctioned/or fails to submit the audited statement of expenditure within the stipulated period, the grantee will be required to refund the amount of the grant with interest thereon @ 10% per annum.
19. Project staff could be engaged on a full/part-time basis during the research work and the employment duration may be decided by the Project Director. Selection of Research Staff should be done through an advertisement and a selection committee consisting of (1) Project Director; (2) One outside Expert (other than the institute where the project is located); (3) a nominee of the Vice Chancellor/Head of the Institution and (4) Head of the Department)/Dean of relevant faculty duly approved by the competent authority.

20. The consolidated monthly emoluments and the qualifications to the project staff be fixed as follows:

Sl. No.	Staff	Revised Rates	Qualifications
1	Research Associate	Rs.47,000/- p.m.	Post graduate in social science discipline (55% minimum) with NET /M.Phil. / Ph.D
2	Research Assistant	Rs.37,000/- p.m	Ph.D./M.Phil./ Post graduate in social science discipline with minimum 55%)
3	Field Investigator	Rs.20,000/- p.m	Post Graduate in social science discipline (55% minimum)

21. For all field work related expenses of Project Director, Co-Director and project personnel, rules pertaining to affiliating institutes shall be followed.
22. All equipment and books purchased out of the project fund shall be the property of the affiliating institutions. On completion of the study, the Project Director shall submit an undertaking in this regard. The ICSSR, however, reserves the right to take charge of equipment and books, if it thinks it fit in a case.
23. Purchase of equipment/ assets for the research Project is permissible only if it is originally proposed and approved by the ICSSR.

Yours faithfully,


(Dr. S. N. Chari)

For MEMBER-SECRETARY

Encl: as above.

Copy to:

1. **Dr. Charchit Kumar,**
Assistant Professor,
Central University of Himachal Pradesh,
Center for Yoga Studies, Parishar-2,
Dharamshala,
Himachal Pradesh- 176215
2. **Dr. Narendra Singh,**
Assistant Professor,
Department of Yoga, Babasaheb
Bhimrao Ambedkar Central university Lucknow,
Vidya Vihar, Raibareli Road,
Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh- 226025
3. **Dr. Amit Kumar Sharma**
Assistant Professor, Department of Hindi
& Modern Indian Languages, HNB
Garhwal University of Srinagar,
Uttarakhand- 246174
4. **Finance Branch, ICSSR, New Delhi**
5. **Record file**

Award Letter of Major Research Project

Dear Dr.Dr. Naresh Kumar ,

Please refer to your Interaction with Expert Committee regarding Major Research Project under the Major Research Project Scheme of the ICSSR. Although you have made a presentation for the Major Research Project , the final selection is made on the basis of recommendations of the Expert Committee.

Title Proposed: " गुरु गोविंद सिंह जी का विद्या दरबार (विद्या दरबार के साहित्य का समाज सभ्याचार अध्ययन) यह कार्य पंजाबी भाषा मे किया जाएगा (With Hindi/English translation) "

Revised Title approved by the Expert Committee: NA.

Budget Approved: ₹ 600,000.00(Rupees Six Lakh Only)

First Instalment: 40% of the awarded grant, detailed Budget in break-up will be sent along with the sanction order of 240000/-

The above has been approved by the Competent Authority on the recommendations of the Expert Committee. **You are requested to commence the study immediately.**

You are required to give an undertaking on a non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 100/- (copy enclosed), declaration on a non-judicial stamp paper, original forwarding letter and send us the grant- in-aid bill (copy enclosed) of 40% of the awarded grant. All Payments and Transfers are to be done through EAT module hence the institution has to open a dedicated account as per the notification of ICSSR.

You are once again required to go through the eligibility criteria in the guidelines and make sure you fulfil them in all respect both in case of individual and institution. In case you have awarded a project under any other programme of ICSSR and sanction letter for the same has been issued you are requested to continue with earlier sanction and inform accordingly. This award in that case will not stand operational. In case you have already been awarded a project and sanction letter has not been issued you may make an option between the two awards and inform us clearly which project you would like to start. If there is any change in terms of original proposal you need to clarify and take approval from ICSSR in the beginning itself.

Kindly send us all the desired documents (attached herewith) to the undersigned within at the earliest to enable us to issue the formal sanction order as per the checklist enclosed.

With Regards
Revathy Vishwanath
Deputy Director (Research)
Research Project Division
Indian Council of Social Science Research
New Delhi-110067
011-26716690

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Award Letter Minor Reserch Project 2022-23

Inbox

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RP Division ICSSR <rpdivision@icssr.org> Fri, 10 Mar, 17:07

to me

File No. 02/29/SC/2022-23/RP/MN

Dated:10 March 2023

Award Letter of Minor Research Project

Dear Dr. Harjinder Singh

Research Project division of the ICSSR is pleased to inform you that the Expert Committee has recommended to award the minor research project titled “निर्मला पंथ के डेरे और साहित्य: सामाजिक-सांस्कृतिक अध्ययन (पंजाब प्रदेश के विशेष संदर्भ में) ” submitted by you under Research Project Scheme of the ICSSR.

Title Proposed: “निर्मला पंथ के डेरे और साहित्य: सामाजिक-सांस्कृतिक अध्ययन (पंजाब प्रदेश के विशेष संदर्भ में) ” Revised Title approved by the Expert Committee: NA. Budget Approved: **₹5,00,000/- (Rupees Five Lakh Only)** First Instalment: 40% of the awarded grant, detailed Budget in break-up will be sent along with the sanction order of **Rs.2,00,000/-**

The above has been approved by the Competent Authority on the recommendations of the Expert Committee. You are advised to complete the remaining formalities (as mentioned below) within seven working days to enable you to commence the study.

You are required to submit an undertaking on a non-judicial stamp paper of Rs. 100/- (copy enclosed), declaration on a non-judicial stamp paper, original forwarding letter and the grant-in-aid bill (copy enclosed) of 40% of the awarded grant.

All Payments and Transfers are to be done through EAT module. Hence, the institution has to open a dedicated account as per the notification of the ICSSR.

You are once again required to go through the eligibility criteria in the guidelines and make sure that you fulfil them in all respect, both in case of individual as well as institution. In case, you have been awarded a project under any other programme of ICSSR and sanction letter for the same has been issued, you are requested to continue with earlier sanction and inform accordingly. In that case, this award will not stand operational. In case, have already been awarded a project and sanction letter has not been issued, you may make an option between the two awards and inform us clearly which project you would like to start/undertake. If, there is any change in terms of the original proposal, you need to clarify and take approval from the ICSSR before the commencement of the project.

Kindly send all the desired documents (list is attached here with) to the undersigned within seven working days to enable us to issue the formal sanction order as per the checklist enclosed.

With Regards
Richa Sharma,
Deputy Director (Research)
Research Project Division
Indian Council of Social Science Research
New Delhi-110067
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SR/FST/MS I/2023/135

30 October 2023

Subject: Proposal under "FIST Program - 2023" [TPN - 89938]

Dear Sir,

Kindly refer to the captioned proposal submitted by your Department/ Centre/ College for support under the FIST Program of DST. I am pleased to inform you that the proposal has been favorably recommended in Level B category by the DST, based on the recommendation of the FIST Advisory Board (FISTAB). The details of the recommendation for 5 years' duration of the project are given below:

To augment the research facilities in the Department

E+NW: ₹40.0 L [Hardware: ₹40L (30 No. PCs, 2Nos. UPS)]

IF: ₹3.0 L [Books to be identified]

IRD: ₹1.0 L [to be identified]

SSR: ₹1.0 L [to be identified]

M: ₹6.0 L

Total: ₹51.0 L

It may be noted that the allocations indicated now above with respect to any Equipment or any other budget heads are the Upper Limit of the Budget as they are purely based on recommendations. However, Department shall now finally firm-up specifications/ configurations of each Equipment, Computational & Networking facility in Computer Lab, Infrastructure Facility as recommended above to be acquired by the Department/ Centre/ School/College and actual cost of this project shall be firmed up based on these inputs from you. The support for the 'Maintenance' will be provided as per norms under FIST Program. The type of equipment and its specifications/ configurations finalized now by the Department/ Centre/ School/ College would not be possible to change during the course of implementation of the said project. For enabling us to process the case further, including the release of 1st installment of grant now, you are requested to please upload the following documents you are requested to please upload the following documents by **10th November 2023 only through e-PMS web portal of the DST using the registered USER ID and PASSWORD:**

- Valid quotation for each of the recommended equipment (CIF value) for support. Please ensure that the budgetary cost is not an inflated one with respect to its specifications given. In case, the recommendation shows Equipment list is "to be identified & prioritized", please submit quotations of the identified & prioritized Equipment only. **Teaching Aids like LCD Projector, Smart Boards etc. are out of scope of FIST support and shall not be projected by the Department/ Centre/ School/ College.**
- Quotations with detailed plans for implementation of the 'Networking and Computational Facilities' (NW) under the support as per guidelines mentioned in the Terms and Conditions of DST-FIST Program available at the Website:www.fist-dst.org.
- Budgetary quotes from suppliers along with details & their cost estimates of Items/ activities recommended & proposed under 'Infrastructure Facility' which includes the list of Books, Lab renovation etc.
- Identify the activities pertaining to the Scientific Social Responsibility (SSR) to be conducted, and hence, provide a detailed plan with cost-wise details to undertake each of such activities.
- Identify the activities pertaining to the Industrial Research & Development (IRD) to be conducted, and hence, provide a detailed plan with cost-wise details to undertake each of such activities. It is a Proactive measure of DST to have a hand-holding system should be in place to assist startup and industry, organization of Industry & Academia Meetings in to encourage and maximize the utilization of research infrastructure. Such encouragement would accelerate the human resource exchange program, deployment of research knowledge, deepen and strengthen current research links, and enable acquisition of new skill and practices.

The Department/ Centre/ School or College who have already enjoyed support earlier under FIST Program and recommended for **Repeat Support** now, shall need to complete all formalities i.e. **submission of Project Completion Report, Audited Financial Statements, Refund of unspent funds etc.**, for the previously supported project under DST-FIST Program. Process towards releasing the grants to such Department/ School/ Centre would not be possible to initiate without completion of all formalities for the previous project. **Blank Format** toward closure of previous project is also available at the Website: www.fist-dst.org

Department/ Centre/ School/ College are also requested for uploading all documents (whichever is applicable) as a single PDF file through e-PMS web portal by 10th November 2023 in the following order:

Sr. No.	For PG Colleges under Level A and Department/ Centre/School at the University/Academic Institute under Level B category
1	List of the Major & Minor Research Equipment with Cost (₹) and Quotations (one for each equipment)
2	Items for Networking Lab with cost (₹) and quotations
3	Items for Infrastructure including quotations for lab renovation, any other item and list of Books with Cost (₹), as applicable
4	Cost of sample preparations and other peripherals towards seeking the allocated amount under IRD budget head for undertaking analysis of the industrial samples
5	Cost-wise list of activities pertaining to the Scientific Social Responsibility (SSR) to be undertaken
6	Duly signed copy of Terms & Conditions
7	Composition of Project Implementation Group (PIG)
8	Details of Public Financial Management System (PFMS) registration of the University/ Institute for Scheme: Science & Technology Institutional and Human Capacity Building (Code 1817).
9	Undertaking and Details of Bank A/c (Guidelines and OM attached) to align your organization with the CNA system, For more details please see the link : https://dst.gov.in/sites/default/files/DST%20Scheme%20%5B1817-STIHC%5D%20-%20CNA%20Particulars.pdf
Documents (in PDF) to be submitted for the previously supported project (if any) under DST-FIST Program (Formats at www.fist-dst.org)	
1	Project Completion Report
2	Brief Summary of FIST support (not for 1st time supported Departments/ Schools/ Centers/ Colleges)
3	Audited Financial Statements
4	Receipt generated after refund of unspent funds and accrued interest (if any) at the Consolidated Fund of India (CFI) through NTRP i.e. www.Bharatkosh.gov.in

Please do not send these documents in parts or by e-mail at the last moment. Incomplete documents submitted by any Department/ Centre/ School/ College would be unable to process for releasing grants. Kindly send the above information along with acceptance for taking up the project at the earliest to enable us to process the project for release of grant. In case we do not receive the above mentioned documents/ information within **10th November 2023**, it would be presumed that the Department/College is not interested in this project and the offer would automatically stand withdrawn. **Kindly Submit all the above-mentioned documents through e-PMS Web portal only.**

Any further correspondence related to the project you may communicate directly to my colleague, Dr. Mayank Srivastava, Scientist 'C' (E-mail: mayank.sri@gov.in; Phone: 011-29512324) who will be handling the project henceforth.

With best regards


(Pratishtha Pandey)

To
Head of Department,
Department of Mathematics,
Central University of Himachal Pradesh,
Dharamshala, District-Kangra,
Himachal Pradesh -176215



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SECRETARY

No.1(28)2024/IUC/Admn.F.2.-546,

To

13 MAR 2024

Dr. Preeti Singh
Assistant Professor
Hindi Department
Central University of Himachal Pradesh
Dhauladhar, Campus-1
Dharamshala-176215

Madam / Sir,

I am happy to inform you that you are among the teachers selected for Associateship of the U.G.C. Inter-University Centre for Humanities and Social Sciences (IUC), functioning at the Indian Institute of Advanced Study, Shimla.

2. The academic session of the Centre Commences on the **1st March, and continues up to the 30th November each year.**

3. (i) For taking up the Associateship, the Centre defrays the expenses on travel {Travelling allowance is limited to AC-II tier sleeper class}, between the place of work and Shimla (to and fro) as per Government of India norms.

(ii) The Centre pays a Maintenance Allowance @ 400/- per day, which will be deducted directly as accommodation/Mess Charges (For serving Breakfast, Lunch and Dinner except official dinners). The local scholars who do not avail accommodation at the IUC Guest House of the Institute, a sum of Rs 150/- per day will be deducted directly as Mess Charges for Lunch, from the maintenance allowance at the end of each spell of Associateship.

(iii) The residential accommodation provided by the Institute is for self only (and **Not for family/including minor children**).

4. The Associates are allowed to make use of the library of the Indian Institute of Advanced Study, and are expected to participate in all the ongoing academic programmes of the Institute.

5. An early response to this letter indicating your acceptance and preference of month for your visit during the years 2024 onwards (i.e first preference, second preference and third preference) would be appreciated. However, the Institute reserves the right to allot the spells in different months if number of Associates exceeds in the preferred month.

6. The Associates will have to complete their three spells in three consecutive years i.e. 2024, 2025 and 2026. However, in exceptional cases it can be extended for

another one year. Thereafter, the Associateship would be treated as cancelled.

7. I have enclosed one copy each of "Notes for Guidance of the Associates", and UGC letter dated 17th June 2011 & 25th July 2012; this would give you an idea of the Centre.

8. On receipt of your response, a formal letter indicating the slot allotted to you for your first visit to the Centre would be sent to you.

Yours faithfully,



(Mehar Chand Negi)
Secretary



Dr. Richa Sharma
Deputy Director
SCD Division (In-charge)
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AWARD LETTER

F.No. 8/LSS/2024-383/ES/SCD

Date: 23.09.2024

To,
The Registrar
University of Delhi
Main Campus, Delhi 110007

Subject: Award of Research Project (Collaborative) titled “Climatic Changes, Wild Plants and Sustainable Development Goals: A Longitudinal Study in Himachal Pradesh” under the special Call for Collaborative Research Proposals on Longitudinal Studies in Social and Human Sciences to Prof. Sudha Vasan, Dr. Shailender Kumar Verma, Dr. Sarvesh Kumar, Dr. Sarla Shashni, Dr. Babburu Venkateshwarlu, Mr. Satish Chander Babbus.

ICSSR congratulates you on the award of Research Project under Special Call for Collaborative Research Proposals on Longitudinal Studies in Social and Human Sciences, based on recommendations of the Experts Committee.

1. The ICSSR has approved the award of **Research Project** under Special Call for Collaborative Research Proposals on Longitudinal Studies in Social and Human Science. The Research Project is submitted by **Prof. Sudha Vasan** of your Institution.

The study, as proposed by the researcher, is to be located at and financially administered by your institution as per the guidelines of this award.

2. The ICSSR has awarded a grant-in-aid of **Rs. 1,50,00,000/-** for the above research project and the grant will be released as follows:

First Year	First Instalment (50 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid):	Rs. 75,00,000/-
Second Year	Second Instalment (15 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid):	Rs. 22,50,000/-
Third Year	Third Instalment (15%)of sanctioned grant-in-aid):	Rs. 22,50,000/-
Fourth Year	Fourth Instalment (10% of sanctioned grant-in-aid):	Rs. 15,00,000/-
Fifth Year	Fifth and Final Instalment (10% of sanctioned grant-in-aid)	Rs. 15,00,000/-
Total :		
	Overhead charges over and above 10 % of the sanctioned budget or maximum Rs.5,00,000	-

3. Please note that the approval of ICSSR is subject to fulfillment of eligibility criteria and other conditions of ICSSR. The Sanction Order will be issued after receipt of the following original documents:

a. Duly notarized undertaking on non-judicial stamp paper of Rs.100/-

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- b. Duly notarized declaration on non-judicial stamp paper of Rs.100/-
- c. Acceptance of the Awarded Project with the Date of Commencement
- d. Original forwarding Letter duly signed/ stamped by statutory authority
- e. Grant-in-aid bill (Pre-receipt) duly filled in for the first instalment
- f. Letter/ certificate regarding status of the affiliating Institute and a proof of institution's eligibility to receive the grant of ICSSR.

You are once again required to review the eligibility criteria as per the guidelines of the Special **Call for Collaborative Research Proposals on Longitudinal Studies in Social and Human Sciences** and ensure that you fulfill all requirements as per the guidelines, both as an individual and as an institution for the studies. If you or your institution is not eligible to receive ICSSR grant as per of the guidelines, please recuse yourself from receiving the award. Concealing any information or violation of any guideline will not only cancel the project but ICSSR may further take action against the institution or individual.

4. If you have been awarded another project under any other program of ICSSR, and the Sanction Letter for that project has been issued, you are requested to proceed with the earlier sanction and inform us accordingly. In such situation, the current award will not be considered operational.
5. If you have already been awarded a project, and the sanction letter has not been issued yet, you may choose between the two awards and inform us which project you would like to proceed with.
6. All the Payments and Transfers are to be done through the Public Financial Management System (PFMS). The institution has to open a dedicated account and link the same with the PFMS account of ICSSR. The institutions whose existing bank account is already registered under PFMS must ensure that their account is linked with the ICSSR scheme- 0877 at the PFMS portal. You are requested to inform ICSSR in case of any issues/ problems being faced by you in this regard.
7. The **First installment** of the approved grant-in-aid will be released after receiving the grant-in-aid bill duly filled in, stamped and signed by the Project Director as well as the affiliating organization.
8. The entire project team must attend regular review meetings organized by ICSSR to ensure timely progress and completion of projects.
9. The **second Installment** of the approved grant-in-aid will be released after receiving (a) the grant-in-aid bill, (b) first-year progress report, (c) one research paper published in a peer-reviewed journal, (d) statement of expenditure till that date and (e) utilization certificate duly filled in, stamped, and signed by the Project Coordinator as well as the affiliating organization.
10. The **third Installment** of the approved grant-in-aid will be released after receiving (a) the grant-in-aid bill, (b) second year progress report, (c) second research paper published in a Scopus-indexed journal, (d) statement of expenditure till that date and (e) utilization certificate duly filled in, stamped, and signed by the Project Coordinator as well as the affiliating organization.
11. The **fourth Installment** of the approved grant-in-aid will be released after receiving (a) the grant-in-aid bill, (b) third year progress report, (c) third research paper published in a Scopus-indexed journal, (d) statement of expenditure till that date and (e) utilization certificate duly filled in, stamped, and signed by the Project Coordinator as well as the affiliating organization.
12. As the study involves extensive research, the finalized schedules/questionnaires, designed to elicit information should be sent to the ICSSR (2 copies) as per the following schedule
 - a) If the schedule /questionnaire for eliciting information is as per the standard questionnaire, these will have to be sent to ICSSR immediately,
 - b) If the schedule /questionnaire for eliciting information are to be designed afresh keeping in view the requirements of the project, these will have to be sent to the ICSSR **two months** before starting data collection.

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If there is a change in the schedule/questionnaire of previous years then before the implication of such schedules it shall be duly informed and approved by the monitoring committee of ICSSR.

- c) Standard rules and regulations related to research ethics shall be applicable throughout the conduct of research. If at any point of time, a violation of research ethics has been observed or brought to the notice of ICSSR, in such cases ICSSR may cancel the research project and shall be bound to initiate strict action against the research team and affiliating Institution.
- d) Institutions shall have a dedicated Lab Space, designated for conducting research on ICSSR Longitudinal Studies in Social and Human Sciences.

13. The **Final Instalment** will be released on receipt of following documents: -

- (a) Satisfactory book length of the Final Report (One Soft Copy in Pen-Drive) in the publishable form after incorporating all corrections, suggestions of the expert;
- (b) The draft final report shall be submitted four weeks prior to the project's completion to ensure it can be reviewed by the expert;
- (c) Two hard copies and a soft copy of the Executive Summary of Final Report;
- (d) Audited statement of accounts (AC) in prescribed format with utilization certificate (UC) in form 12A of GFR, for the entire approved project amount duly signed by the Finance Officer/Registrar/Director of the affiliating Institution. The utilisation certificate of institutions whose accounts are not audited by CAG/AG, will be signed by the Finance Officer and Statutory Auditor of the Institute.
- (e) At least five published research papers in the UGC care and Scopus Indexed journals
- (f) A detailed stock report duly signed by the Head of the Institute / Registrar / Principal with details of assets and books purchased out of the project fund has to be submitted to the ICSSR

14. Research undertaken by a Project Coordinator and his/her team shall be reviewed by the Monitoring and Advisory Committee constituted by ICSSR and the project may be discontinued/ terminated, if research progress is found unsatisfactory or any ICSSR rules/ guidelines are violated by the Project Coordinator of the affiliating institution.

15. The ICSSR reserves all rights to publish the project funded by it, provided the work is recommended for publication by the ICSSR appointed expert/experts. In case, ICSSR approves the publication of the research work, the scholar should acknowledge that the project has been sponsored by the ICSSR, in all publications resulting from the project output (Research Paper, Books, Articles, Reports, etc.) and should submit a copy of the same to the ICSSR.

16. The Contingency Grant may be utilized for research and office assistance, books, stationary, computer cost, research assistance and the field work expenses of Project Coordinator, Project Directors and research personnel connected with the research work.

17. The University/ Institution of affiliation will provide office space including furniture, devices, library and research facilities and messenger services to the scholar. For this, the ICSSR shall pay the affiliating University/Institution, **overhead charges @ 10%** of the total expenditure incurred on the project after the successful completion of the project, with a ceiling of maximum Rs. 5,00,000/-

18. The Project Coordinator of the research project will be **Prof. Sudha Vasan**, who will be responsible for the completion of the research project in five years from the date of commencement of the project, which is **23.09.2024**, as intimated by the scholar.

19. Progress reports shall be submitted to ICSSR every 4 months by the project coordinator. There shall be a minimum 15 progress reports clearly reflecting landmarks that have been achieved in research during the scheduled period of progress report

20. In case, the Project Coordinator fails to submit the periodic / final project report as per schedule with adequate justification duly accepted by ICSSR, the scholar will be debarred from availing all financial assistance from ICSSR for this project and all future projects of ICSSR.

21. All grants from ICSSR are subject to the general provision of GFR 2017 and in particular with reference to the provision contained in GFR 209, GFR 210, GFR 211 and GFR 212.

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22. The Project Coordinator will ensure that the expenditure incurred by him/her conforms to the approved budget heads as per the guidelines for the “Special Call for Collaborative Research Projects on ICSSR Longitudinal Studies in Social and Human Sciences” published by the ICSSR on its website www.icssr.org.
23. The grant-in-aid is subject to all the conditions laid down in the **Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) Research Projects available in the ICSSR website www.icssr.org**. The expenditure on this account will be debited to the **Budget Head-ICSSR (Scheme Code 0877); OH 31.09 Research Projects**.
24. All instalments will be transferred through the Public Finance Management System (PFMS) and ICSSR shall implement the EAT module for ensuring transparency of expenditure at all levels and to ensure that there is no parking of funds.
25. As per the instruction from MoE, the amount of grant sanctioned herein is to be utilized by **the end of the project duration**. The unspent amount shall be refunded to the ICSSR immediately on the expiry of the duration of the project. If the grantee fails to utilize the grant for the purpose for which the same has been sanctioned/or fails to submit the audited statement of expenditure within the stipulated period/ or fails to submit the final report within the stipulated time, the grantee will be required to refund the amount of the grant released with a penal interest thereon @ 10% per annum.

Yours faithfully,

(Dr. Richa Sharma)
For Member-Secretary

Encl: as above. Copy to

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PROJECT BUDGET

Title: Climatic Changes, Wild Plants and Sustainable Development Goals: A Longitudinal Study in Himachal Pradesh.

By: Prof. Sudha Vasan

Detailed budget breakup for the proposed allocation		
S. No.	Heads of Expenditure	Value (Rs.)
1.	Research Staff: Full time/part time/ Hired services	Not exceeding 45% of the total budget
2.	Field work	Not exceeding 35% of the total budget
3.	Research Equipment and study material (Computer, Printer etc.)	Not exceeding 10% of the total budget
4.	Contingency	Not exceeding 5% of the total budget
5.	Workshop/ Seminar/Publication *This will be decided by the ICSSR depending upon the requirements of the project.	Approx. 5% of the total budget
	Grand Total	100%

➤ Remuneration and Emoluments of Project Staff

- Project staff could be engaged by the Project Director on a full/ Part-time basis during the research work and the duration/ consolidated monthly emoluments of their employment may be decided by the Project Director within the limits of the sanctioned financial allocation and as per the ICSSR rules. The remuneration and emoluments of the Project staff are to be paid as per following scales: -
- Research Associate @ Rs.47,000/- p.m. (Qualification - Postgraduate in subject relevant to the research area of the Project or any Social Science discipline with minimum 55% with NET /M.Phil./ Ph.D. and 2 years of research experience).
- Research Assistant @ Rs.37,000/- p.m. (Qualification-Ph.D./M.Phil/ Postgraduate in subject relevant to the research area of the Project or any Social Science discipline with a minimum of 55% marks)
- Field Investigator @ Rs.20,000/-p.m. (Qualification- Postgraduate in a social science discipline with a minimum of 55%).
- Re-appropriation: The project Investigator may, with the permission of the institution, re-appropriate expenditure from sub head to another, subject to a maximum 10% of the particular budget heads. If the study necessitates re-appropriation beyond 10%, it may be done only after the approval of the ICSSR.
- Selection of Research Staff should be done through an advertisement and a selection committee consisting of (1) Project Coordinator/ Project Director; (2) One outside Expert (other than the Institute where the project is located); (4) Head of the Department/Dean of relevant faculty.
- **For all field work related expenses** of Project Coordinator/Project Director, Co-Project Director and project personnel, rules pertaining to affiliating institutes shall be followed.

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- **All equipment and books** purchased out of the project fund shall be the property of the affiliating institutions. On completion of the study, the Project Coordinator/ Project Director shall submit an undertaking in this regard. The ICSSR, however, reserves the right to take charge of equipment and books, if it deems necessary.
- **Purchase of equipment/ assets** for the Research Project is permissible only if it is originally proposed and approved by the ICSSR and does not exceed the permissible amount.



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SANCTION ORDER

F.No. 16/CRP-2023-235/PMFBY/SCD

Dated: 26-09-2023
26-09-2023
SJA

To,
The Director
University of Delhi, Delhi
Delhi (NCT), 110021

Subject: Sanction of Short-term Empirical Research Project (Collaborative/Individual) entitled "PM Fasal Bima Yojana: A Study of Effectiveness and Impact of Risk Mitigation, Income Stability and Well-Being of Farmers" to Dr. Yamini Gupt, University of Delhi, Delhi

Dear Sir/Madam,

1. The Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) has approved the award of "PM Fasal Bima Yojana: A Study of Effectiveness and Impact of Risk Mitigation, Income Stability and Well-Being of Farmers" the above Research Project submitted by Dr. Yamini Gupt of your Institution.
2. The study, as proposed by the researcher, is to be located at and financially administered by your institution as per the guidelines of this award.
3. The ICSSR has sanctioned a grant-in-aid of Rs. 1400000/- for the above research project and the grant will be released as follows:

First instalment (50 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid)	:	Rs. 700000/-
Second instalment (25 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid)	:	Rs. 350000/-
Final instalment (25 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid)	:	Rs. 350000/-
Total	:	Rs. 1400000/-
Overhead charges over and above		
7.5% or maximum Rs.1,00,000	:	Rs. 100000/-

4. The First instalment of the approved grant-in-aid will be released after receiving the grant-in-aid bill duly filled in, stamped and signed by the Project Director as well as the affiliating organization.
5. As the study involves empirical research, the finalized schedules/questionnaires (2 copies) designed to elicit information should be sent to the ICSSR as per the following schedule:
 - a) If the schedule /questionnaire for eliciting information is as per standard questionnaire, these will have to be sent to ICSSR immediately.
 - b) If the schedule /questionnaire for eliciting information are to be designed afresh keeping in view the requirements of the project, these will have to be sent to the ICSSR within a period of two months in any case.

6. The Second instalment will be released after receiving a satisfactory **three months** progress report, data summary report, along with a statement of expenditure for the first instalment and Grant-in-Aid Bill for second instalment.
7. The Third and Final instalment will be released on receipt of (a) Satisfactory book length of the Final Report (Two Hard Copies plus one Soft Copy in Pen-Drive) in the publishable form after incorporating all corrections, suggestions of the expert; (b) soft and 2 hard copies of Executive Summary of Final Report; (c) Statement of accounts with Utilization Certificate in GFR of 12A form for the entire project amount duly signed by the Finance Officer/Registrar/Principal/Director of the affiliating institution (d) A certificate of statement of assets and books purchased out of the project fund issued by the affiliating institution, (e) The Grant-in-Aid Bill for the third instalment.
8. Research undertaken by a Project Director may be reviewed by the Monitoring and Advisory Committee constituted by ICSSR and the project may be discontinued/ terminated, if research progress is found unsatisfactory or any ICSSR rules/guidelines are violated.
9. The Project Coordinator/Project Director would organize a workshop before submission of the final report. The workshop would deliberate on data collection process, compilation, organization and analyses of data on the respective scheme/policy initiative.
10. The ICSSR reserves all rights to publish the project funded by it, provided the work is recommended for publication by the ICSSR appointed expert/experts. In case, ICSSR approves the publication of the research work, the scholar should acknowledge that the project has been sponsored by the ICSSR, in all publications resulting from the project output (Research Paper, Books, Articles, Reports, etc.) and should submit a copy of the same to the ICSSR.
11. The Contingency Grant may be utilized for research and office assistance, books, stationary, computer cost, research assistance and the field work expenses of Project Coordinator, Co-Project Directors and research personnel connected with the research work.
12. The University/ Institution of affiliation will provide to the scholar office accommodation including furniture, library and research facilities and messenger services. For this, the ICSSR shall pay to the University/Institution of affiliation **overhead charges @7.5%** or maximum Rs. 1,00,000/- of the total expenditure incurred on the project only after successful completion of the project.
13. The accounts and the Utilization Certificate will be signed by the Finance Officer/Registrar/Principal/Director in the case of accounts of the institution are audited by CAG/AG. Otherwise, they need to be signed by the Finance Officer and the Chartered Account.
14. The Project Coordinator/ Project Director of the research project will be **Dr. Yamini Gupt**, who will be responsible for the completion of the research project within **5/6 Months** from the date of commencement of the project, which is **07.09.2023** as intimated by the scholar.
15. In case, the Project Coordinator/Project Director fails to submit the periodic / final project report as per schedule with adequate justification, the scholar will be debarred from availing all financial assistance from ICSSR in future.
16. All grants from ICSSR are subject to the general provision of GFR 2017 and in particular with reference to the provision contained in GFR 209, GFR 210, GFR 211 and GFR 212.
17. The Project Coordinator/Project Director will ensure that the expenditure incurred by him conforms to the approved budget heads. The grant-in-aid is subject to all the conditions laid down in the **Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) Research Projects available in the ICSSR website www.icssr.org**
18. The expenditure on this account is debatable to the **Budget Head-ICSSR (Scheme Code 0877); OH 31.09 Research Projects.**

PROJECT BUDGET

Title: PM Fasal Bima Yojana: A Study of Effectiveness and Impact of Risk Mitigation, Income Stability and Well-Being of Farmers.

By: Dr. Yamini Gupta

S. No.	Heads of Expenditure	Value
1	Research Staff: Full time/Part-time/Hired Services	Not exceeding 40% of the total budget.
2	Fieldwork: Travel/Logistics/Boarding, Survey Preparation or Consultancy etc.	Not exceeding 30%
3	Workshop to disseminate the outcomes of the project	Up to 15% (not exceeding INR 2.00 lakh for collaborative research)
4	Equipment and Study material: Computer, Printer, Source Material, Books, Journals, Software, Data Sets etc.	Not exceeding 10%
5	Contingency	Not exceeding 5%
6	Institutional Overheads (over and above the total cost of the project)	Affiliating institutional overheads @ 7.5% of the approved budget, subject to a maximum limit of Rs 1,00,000/-

➤ Remuneration and Emoluments of Project Staff

(a) Project staff could be engaged by the Project Coordinator/Project Director on a full/ part-time basis during the research work and the duration/consolidated monthly emoluments of their employment may be decided by the Project Coordinator/Project Director within the limits of the sanctioned financial allocation and as per the ICSSR rules.

(b) Research Associate @ Rs.40,000/- p.m. (Qualification – Post graduate in any social science discipline with minimum 55% marks and NET/SLET/M.Phil/Ph.D)

(c) Research Assistant @ Rs. 32,000/-p.m (Qualification-Ph.D/M.Phil / Post graduate in social science discipline with minimum 55%)

(d) Field Investigator @ Rs.30,000/-p.m. (not exceeding 3 months) (Qualification- Post graduate in any social science discipline with minimum 55% marks)

(e) Retrospective payment for work already done is not permissible.

- **Re-appropriation:** The Institution may re-appropriate expenditure from one head to another up to 10% of the sanctioned budget with the prior approval of the ICSSR.
- **Selection of Research Staff** should be done through an advertisement and a selection committee consisting of (1) Project Coordinator/ project Director; (2) One outside Expert (other than the institute where the project is located); (3) Head of the Department/Dean of relevant faculty.
- **For all field work related expenses** of Project Coordinator/Project Director, Co-Project Director and project personnel, rules pertaining to affiliating institutes shall be followed.
- **All equipment and books** purchased out of the project fund shall be the property of the affiliating institutions. On completion of the study, the Project Coordinator/ Project Director shall submit an undertaking in this regard. The ICSSR, however, reserves the right to take charge of equipment and books, if it thinks it fit in a case.
- **Purchase of equipment/ assets** for the Research Project is permissible only if it is originally proposed and approved by the ICSSR and does not exceed the permissible amount.
- **No publication/presentation** in any form related the awarded research shall be made by the researcher or any member of the research team without prior approval of the ICSSR.

19. All instalments will be transferred through Public Finance Management System (PFMS) and ICSSR shall implement the EAT module for ensuring transparency of expenditure at all levels and to ensure that there is no parking of funds.

20. As per the instruction from MoE, the amount of grant sanctioned herein is to be utilized by the end of the project duration. The unspent amount shall be refunded to the ICSSR immediately on the expiry of the duration of the project. If the grantee fails to utilize the grant for the purpose for which the same has been sanctioned/or fails to submit the audited statement of expenditure within the stipulated period/ or fails to submit the final report within the stipulated time, the grantee will be required to refund the amount of the grant released with a penal interest thereon @ 10% per annum.

Yours faithfully,



(Dr. Richa Sharma)
For MEMBER-SECRETARY

Encl: as above.

Copy to:

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2. Dr. Narendra Nath Dalei (Project Director)
3. Dr. Sucheta Sardar (Project Director)
4. Dr. Amarnath Tripathi (Project Director)
5. Finance Branch, ICSSR, New Delhi
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(Dr. Richa Sharma)
For MEMBER-SECRETARY



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SANCTION ORDER

F. No. ICSSR/RPD/MN/2023-24/OBC/188

Dated. 15.02.2024

To:

The Registrar
Central University of Himachal Pradesh
District, Kangra -177101, Himachal Pradesh

Subject:	Sanction of Minor Research Project entitled "Agricultural Vulnerability and Adaptation to Climate Change in Himalayan Region of Himachal Pradesh" to Dr. Narendra Nath Dalei under ICSSR Research Projects 2023-24.
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Dear Sir/Madam,

- The Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) approved the award of Research Project entitled "Agricultural Vulnerability and Adaptation to Climate Change in Himalayan Region of Himachal Pradesh" submitted by Dr. Narendra Nath Dalei of your Institution.
- The study, as proposed by the researcher, is to be located at and financially administered by your institution as per the guidelines of this award.
- As per the evaluation/Interaction Committee decision, project director is required to carry out the following Suggestions in the Project:NIL.....
- The ICSSR has sanctioned a grant-in-aid of **Rs.1000000/-** for the above research project and the grant will be released as follows:

First instalment (50 % of the awarded grant)	Rs.500000/-
Second instalment (40 % of the awarded grant)	Rs.400000/-
Final instalment (10 % of the awarded grant)	Rs.100000/-
Total	Rs.1000000/-
Overhead charges over and above (7.5% of the Awarded grant, subject to a maximum limit of Rs.1,00,000) (Released after successful completion of project)	Rs.75000/-

- The **first installment** (50% from the total awarded grant) will be released after completing the necessary formalities of joining by the Project Director along with the grant-in-aid bill (GIB) duly filled in, stamped and signed by the Project Director as well as the affiliating organization. (Needs to submit, if not yet submitted as per the award letter instructions).
- The Project Director needs to submit a satisfactory six months Progress Report (as per the format provided in website) during the project period. In case, the study involves survey research, the finalized schedules/questionnaires designed to elicit information should be sent to the ICSSR along with the progress report.
- The **Second Instalment** (40% from the total awarded grant) will be released after receiving book length Final Report in soft copy (both word and PDF format), Executive Summary of Final Report in soft copy (both word and PDF format), 500 words abstract of the Final Report in soft copy, one research paper

published in peer reviewed journal duly acknowledging ICSSR, similarity index score (Plagiarism check) sheet (maximum allowed 10%), simple statement of accounts with 60% and above utilisation from the already released grant along with grant-in-aid bill towards the second instalment. Project Director is required to submit hard copies of the Final Report only after the confirmation from the ICSSR after incorporating the suggested changes.

8. **Third and Final instalment** (remaining 10% from the total awarded grant) will be issued after receipt of recommendation of the expert for acceptance of the Final Report, Audited statement of accounts (AC) in prescribed format with utilization certificate (UC) in GFR-12A form for the entire approved project amount duly signed by the Finance Officer/Registrar/Director of the affiliating Institution, verification of all documents and decision on retaining of equipment and books etc. The institutions of which the accounts are not audited by CAG/AG, their utilisation certificate will be signed by the Finance Officer and a chartered accountant.
9. The scholar needs to acknowledge the support of ICSSR in all publications resulting from the project output (Research Paper, Books, Articles, etc.) and should submit a copy of the same to the ICSSR during its course/after completion.
10. The University/Institution of affiliation will provide office accommodation to the scholar, including furniture, library and research facilities; and messenger services. For this, the ICSSR shall pay the overhead charges at 7.5 % of the awarded budget of the project, subject to a maximum limit of Rs. 1,00,000/- to the University/Institution of affiliation only after the successful completion of the project.
11. The accounts and the Utilization Certificate will be signed by the Finance Officer / Registrar / Principal / Director in the case of accounts of the institution are audited by CAG/AG. Otherwise, they need to be signed by the Finance Officer and the Chartered Account.
12. The Director of the research project will be **Dr. Narendra Nath Dalei**, who will be responsible for its completion within 12 **Months** from the date of commencement of the project, which is **15th February 2024** as intimated by the scholar.
13. In case, the Project Director does not submit the periodic / final project report as per schedule with adequate justification, the scholar may be asked to refund the entire sanction amount and also debarred from availing all future financial assistance from the ICSSR.
14. All grants from the ICSSR are subject to the general provision of GFR 2005 and in particular with reference to the provision contained in GFR 209, GFR 210, GFR 211 and GFR 212.
15. The Project Director will ensure that the expenditure incurred, to be with in the approved budget and the grant-in-aid is subject to all the conditions laid down in the guidelines of the Research Projects.
16. The expenditure on this account is debatable to the **Budget Head-ICSSR (Scheme Code 0877); OH 31.09 Research Projects**.
17. All project instalments will be transferred through EAT Module of Public Financial Management System (PFMS) / RBI Account for ensuring transparency of expenditure at all levels and to ensure that there is no parking of funds with affiliating institution.
18. As per Ministry of Education, Govt. of India instructions, the amount of grant sanctioned herein is to be utilized **by the end of the project duration**. Any amount of the grant remaining unspent shall be refunded to the ICSSR immediately after the expiry of the duration of the project. If the grantee fails to utilize the grant for the purpose for which the same has been sanctioned/or fails to submit the audited statement of expenditure within the stipulated period, the grantee will be required to refund the amount of the grant with interest thereon @ 10% per annum.
19. Project staff could be engaged on a full/part-time basis during the research work and the employment duration may be decided by the Project Director. Selection of Research Staff should be done through an advertisement and a selection committee consisting of (1) Project Director; (2) One outside Expert (other than the institute where the project is located); (3) a nominee of the Vice Chancellor/Head of the Institution and (4) Head of the Department/Dean of relevant faculty duly approved by the competent authority.
20. The consolidated monthly emoluments and the qualifications to the project staff be fixed as follows:

Sl. No.	Staff	Revised Rates	Qualifications
1	Research Associate	Rs.47,000/- p.m.	Post graduate in social science discipline (55% minimum) with NET /M.Phil. / Ph.D
2	Research Assistant A	Rs.37,000/- p.m	Ph.D./M.Phil./ Post graduate in social

			Science discipline with minimum 55%)
3	Field Investigator	Rs.20,000/- p.m	Post Graduate in social science discipline (55% minimum)

21. For all field work related expenses of Project Director, Co-Director and project personnel, rules pertaining to affiliating institutes shall be followed,
22. All equipment and books purchased out of the project fund shall be the property of the affiliating institutions. On completion of the study, the Project Director shall submit an undertaking in this regard. The ICSSR, however, reserves the right to take charge of equipment and books, if it thinks it fit in a case.
23. Purchase of equipment/assets for the research Project is permissible only if it is originally proposed and approved by the ICSSR.
24. The proportionate allocation of expenditure for the budget heads such as Fieldwork (Travel / Logistics / Boarding, Survey Preparation or Consultancy etc.); Equipment and Study material (Computer, Printer, Source Material, Books, Journals, Software, Data Sets, workshop etc.); and Contingency charges etc., to be decided by the Project Director in consultation with the affiliating institution

Yours faithfully,


(Dr. S. N. Chari)

For MEMBER-SECRETARY

Encl: as above.

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**INDIAN COUNCIL OF SOCIAL SCIENCE RESEARCH
RESEARCH PROJECT DIVISION**

F.N.13/2024-25/SES/GEN/RP/ICSSR

Dated: 04.12.2024

Subject: Provisional Award Letter for ICSSR Collaborative Empirical Research Project on Solar Energy & Sustainability (2024-25)

Dear Dr. Sandeep Kulshreshtha,

With reference to your application, the final selection is made on the basis of recommendations of the Expert Committee with following details:

Approved Title by the Expert Committee	Evaluating The Barriers To Solar Energy Adoption, Cost Efficiency and Energy Usage In The Indian Hotel Industry
Budget Approved	Rs.1300000/- (Rupees Thirteen Lakh Only)
Approved Duration of the Project (Months)	12 Months
First Instalment (50% of the awarded grant)	Rs.650000/- (Rupees Six Lakh Fifty Thousand Only)

Please note that this proposal is approved provisionally by the Competent Authority on the recommendations of the Expert Committee, the final Award Letter and Sanction Order along with detailed budget containing break-up of expenditure will be issued after receipt of the below mentioned original documents:

1.	Duly notarized undertaking by the Project Coordinator on non-judicial stamp paper of Rs.100/-
2.	Duly notarized declaration by the project Coordinator on non-judicial stamp paper of Rs.100/-
3.	Original forwarding Letter duly signed/ stamped by statutory authority of the institute
4.	Grant-in-aid bill (Pre-receipt) duly filled in for the first instalment
5.	Letter/ certificate regarding 12 B/2F status of the affiliating Institute and a proof of institution's eligibility to receive the public grant (If applicable as per the guidelines of ICSSR Research Projects)
6.	Duly filled PFMS form
7.	Self-attested Photocopy of Ph.D. Degree certificate of both Project Director and Co-Project Director
8.	Self-attested Photocopy of Appointment Order / Employment Letter of Project Director

9.	Self-attested Photocopy of Memorandum of Appointment / Appointment Order / Employment Letter / Proceedings copy of the Appointment in case of Applicants (Project Director / Co-PD) those who are working in private institutions and other than Govt. Institutions
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You are requested to send all the above mentioned original documents to the undersigned on or before **12.12.2024**.

- If you have been awarded a project under any other programme of ICSSR, and the Sanction Letter for that project has been issued, you are requested to inform us immediately. In this situation, the current award will not be considered operational. If you have already been awarded a project, and the sanction letter has not been issued yet, you may choose between the two awards and clearly inform us which project you would like to proceed with.
- All the Payments and Transfers are to be done through EAT module of Public Financial Management System (PFMS)/ RBI Account, hence the institution has to open a dedicated account as per the notification of ICSSR for those that have not yet done so.

[\[https://icssr.org/sites/default/files/2019-PFMS-Notification_New.pdf\]](https://icssr.org/sites/default/files/2019-PFMS-Notification_New.pdf)
- In case of any issues / problems in execution of PFMS/ RBI Account, you may go through the video tutorial at <https://www.icssr.org/sites/default/files/pfms.pdf>
- Those Institutions' Bank Account registered under PFMS/ RBI Account must ensure that your account is linked with ICSSR Scheme - 0877 at PFMS portal. Those who have already registered and have the dedicated account or may have multiple accounts must ensure to provide the exact one so that the confusion can be avoided and faster transaction can be done.
- The date of commencement for ICSSR Collaborative Empirical Research Project on Solar Energy & Sustainability (2024-25) will be issued by ICSSR at the time of issuing the final award letter along with sanction order.
- **The project title and approved budget, as recommended by the Expert Committees, are final.**
- ICSSR reserves the right to cancel the award at any stage if any submitted document related to eligibility or other criteria is found to be false or if any ICSSR guideline is violated.

With Best Regards

Dr. Sili Rout
Dy. Director
In-charge, RP Division
ICSSR



Award Letter for the Minor Research Projects - 2023-24. ☆

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December
2023

Subject: Award Letter for the Minor Research Projects - 2023-24.

Dear Dr. Uday Bhan Singh

"ICSSR extends warmest congratulations to you on successfully obtaining the award of Research Project as per the above Subject".
With reference to your application with Expert Committee, regarding your project proposal for the minor *Research Projects*, the final selection is made on the basis of



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the final selection is made on the basis of recommendations of the Expert Committee as follows:

Approved Title by the Expert Committee	Integral Human Philosophy And Antyoday as The Foundation Of A Fully Developed India In 2047: Theoretical and Emperical Study
Budget Approved ₹	Rs.300000/- (Rupees Three Lacs Only)
Approved Duration of the Project (Months)	12 Months
First Instalment (50% of the awarded grant)	Rs.150000/- (Rupees One Lacs Fifty Thousand Only)

Please note that this proposal is approved provisionally by the Competent Authority on the recommendations of the Expert Committee, and upon fulfillment of eligible criteria and other conditions, the Sanction Order along with detailed Budget in break-up will be issued after receipt of the below



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