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“Research Without Barriers”

The University of Delhi having been recognized as the Institution of Eminence (IoE) by the Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), Government of India is expanding its research activities under the IoE scheme. The IoE invites wide participation and partnership of academics and researchers from all spheres of knowledge within and outside the University. Research proposals are invited from researchers/academics/practitioners/analysts/policy-makers and anyone interested in quality research under two broad domains, but not limited to: (i) Sciences/Interdisciplinary Sciences, Technology and Medicine and (ii) Social Sciences, Mathematical Sciences, Law and Humanities. The proposed research need not be confined to the traditional domains of knowledge. The programme is expected to break the disciplinary silos, institutional barriers and geographic boundaries.

Applications/research proposals are invited from desirous individuals to be considered for research support and affiliation with the IoE:

a. The application is open to any individual aspiring to contribute to the research output of the IoE.

b. The IoE encourages, among others, the teachers from Colleges/Departments of the University of Delhi to take an active part in this research scheme.

c. The applicants who are working in any institution in India or abroad or have till recently been associated/affiliated/working with/in any university/institution in India or overseas may apply online on the IoE website under the relevant area of research, providing details of the research proposal in the given format.

d. Applicants, who are NRIs/OCIs/PIOs/Foreign Nationals are also encouraged to apply. Researchers from Afro-Asians nations and the SAARC region are welcome to send in their research proposals.

e. Applicants from outside the University of Delhi shall include a mentor/collaborator/co-investigator from any of the relevant University Department in her/his research proposal.

Evaluation of Research Proposals

a. The applicant’s credentials and research proposal shall be evaluated by a Screening Committee which may recommend the same to the Academic Advisory Councils (AACs) and Governing Bodies (GBs) of the relevant Schools under IoE for the approval of the competent authority. Proposals outside the scope of the IoE Schools are also welcome.

Research Proposal/Application Details

The proposal is to be submitted online using the appropriate links provided on the IoE website “Proforma For Research Proposal”: http://ioe.du.ac.in/
a. The research proposal timeline is floating which will remain open. However, an early submission of a well-defined proposal with all necessary information will elicit an early response from the IoE.

b. For Science/Interdisciplinary & Applied Sciences/Medical Sciences domains, the projects may be awarded for a maximum duration of 4 years.

c. For Mathematical Sciences/Arts/Social Sciences/Applied Social Sciences/Humanities/Commerce/Management/Education/Law, the projects may be awarded for a maximum duration of 3 years.

d. The budgetary heads under which funding is to be sought are manpower, contingency, consumable, travel, miscellaneous under Recurring Grant, and minor/major equipment, which may include desktops under Capital Grant.

**Expectations**

a. The research proposals may be a fresh project with a promising outcome or research work culminating in high-quality research papers/patents/prototypes, etc. The proposals should have a clearly defined expected outcome to be achieved within a specific period.

b. The experimental work may be designed around equipment/machinery/software already available in the various Departments of the University/Colleges or workplace of an applicant. However, IoE may also provide requisite support to facilitate research.

**The research proposal must establish an intellectual inquiry that can progress according to the plan outlined.**

**Budget and its Utilization**

a. The investigator/researcher may apply for the purchase of consumables, equipment, software, books, travel related to research work, reading material, publication charges, and contingency. The need-based equipment may be purchased centrally by the IoE through its purchase committee to develop the common research facility at the IoE.

b. All the purchases will remain the sole property of the IoE, including books, software, research material. Hiring charges for unskilled labor may be claimed as per university rules out of contingency head with justification.

c. The applicants/researchers are advised not to propose purchase of laptops, video recording instruments, air conditioners, cameras, furniture, home theatre, mobile phone, television, etc. in their proposals.

d. The researchers at various levels in the IoE shall have freedom to present their research work at national and international conferences after due evaluation. Requisite support may be available for travel to attend meetings (symposia, workshops, and conferences) including conference registration fee, etc. as per the University rules.
e. Travel to hometown for fieldwork will not be permitted.

f. The progress of the research work will be evaluated continuously through the due procedure as laid down by the IoE.

**Deliverables/Outcome**

The research publications must be submitted from time to time to the IoE administration and the final report to the IoE Secretariat within 30 days of the completion of the project.

**The support received from IoE must be acknowledged in all publications resulting from it.**

**General Service Conditions**

a. Any person affiliated with the IoE for whatever period shall be deemed to have accepted the terms and conditions of the IoE and shall in no way be entitled to any extension of the award or benefits of any kind other than those that are part of her/his proposal.

b. Any person supported by the IoE shall be governed by the existing conduct and discipline rules and regulations of the University.