

No. Env. S&T (FY) 5-1/2021-3017
Department of Environment, Science & Technology
 Paryavaran Bhawan, Near US Club, Shimla-171001

From: - **Director (Env. S&T) to the**
 Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1.

To

✓ **Dr. Sandeep Chauhan,**
 Associate Professor, Deptt. of Chemistry,
 Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla.

Dated: Shimla-1. the 19 December, 2022.

Subject: H.P. Specific Research & Development Projects 2021-22- PAEC Meeting reg.

Sir,

This is in reference to your proposal for sanctioning of the R&D Project submitted to this office. In this regard, it is to inform that your proposal was placed before the PAEC Committee on 10.10.2022 at the Department of Environment, Science & Technology, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh and your project entitled "**Novel Pine needle based multifunctional materials for wastewater treatment**" has been considered for sanction with a total budget outlay of Rs. 10,00,000/- by the competent authority with certain additional conditions which have been specified in the minutes of meeting. The minutes of meeting are enclosed herewith for your kind information.

It is also to inform you that an agreement of the terms and conditions is required to be signed between your institution/ university and the Department of Environment, Science & Technology, Shimla. The agreement would be signed by the PI, Co-PI and Head of your institution/ University and thereafter by this Department.

Therefore, you are requested to submit an agreement on Stamp Paper of Rs. 100/- (Rs. One Hundred Only) with extra non-judicial papers duly signed by PI, Co-PI and Head of your institution/ university and submit to this office for further signing by the competent authority of the Department of Environment, Science & Technology, Shimla as per the notification of the H.P. Specific R&D Projects dated: 20.05.2022 for further necessary action please.

Yours sincerely,

Encl: As above.


(Lalit Jain, IAS)
 Director

Department of Environment, S&T
 Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001

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Department of Environment, Science & Technology
 Paryavaran Bhawan, Near US Club, Shimla-171001

From: - **Director (Env. S&T) to the**
 Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1.

To

✓ **Dr. Santosh Kumar,**
 Assistant Professor, Deptt. of Chemistry,
 Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla.

Dated: Shimla-1. the 19 December, 2022.

Subject: H.P. Specific Research & Development Projects 2021-22- PAEC Meeting reg.
 Sir,

This is in reference to your proposal for sanctioning of the R&D Project submitted to this office. In this regard, it is to inform that your proposal was placed before the PAEC Committee on 10.10.2022 at the Department of Environment, Science & Technology, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh and your project entitled "**Multifaceted magnetic hydrochar/ Biochar: A potential material for water pollution remediation**" has been considered for sanction with a total budget outlay of **Rs. 9,93,600** /- by the competent authority with certain additional conditions which have been specified in the minutes of meeting. The minutes of meeting are enclosed herewith for your kind information.

It is also to inform you that an agreement of the terms and conditions is required to be signed between your institution/ university and the Department of Environment, Science & Technology, Shimla. The agreement would be signed by the PI, Co-PI and Head of your institution/ University and thereafter by this Department.

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Yours sincerely,

Encl: As above.


(Lalit Jain, IAS)
Director

Department of Environment, S&T
 Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001

NATIONAL MISSION ON HIMALAYAN STUDIES (NMHS)
G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment (NIHE)
 Kosi-Katarmal, Almora - 263643, Uttarakhand, India

Ref. No.: NMHS/2022-23/SG 81/01/280

Date: 14.03.2023

To,

Dr. Ravi Kant Bhatia
 Assistant Professor
 Department of Biotechnology
 Himachal Pradesh University
 Summer Hill, Shimla-171005

Dr. Santosh Kumar
Co-Principal Investigator,
Dept of Chem, HPU Shimla 5

Subject: Approval of the Medium Grant (MG) for the project entitled "Design and Development of Pine Needle Biochar-infused Microbial Consortia-based Hybrid Bio-Tubes for Effective Treatment of Polluted Water"

Sir,

I am directed to convey the approval of the Competent Authority for the above-mentioned project at a total cost of **Rs. 43,90,880/- (Rupees: Forty Eight Lakh Ninety Thousand Eight Hundred Eighty Only)** for a period of two years, as per the break-up given below:-

Head	1 st year (In Rs.)	2 nd year (In Rs.)	Total grant
(i) Professional services: 02 JRF/ Project Associate @ Rs.31,000/-+ HRA @ 9% per month for two years.	810960.00	810960.00	1621920.00
(ii) Training Expenses: It will include expenses/ fees paid to the training institutes and other contingent expenses for participating in the training/ workshop.	50000.00	50000.00	100000.00
(iii) Domestic Travel: TA & DA for Expert/ Consultant/Project Team	170000.00	120000.00	290000.00
(iv) Office Expenses: Contingency expenses maximum up to Rs.2.44 Lakh for two years, Stationary Charges, Hiring Charges of Field Worker and Minor Field Charges.	300000.00	200000.00	500000.00
(v) Printing & Publication: E- printing included	50000.00	50000.00	110000.00
(vi) Digital Equipment: (Stackable Incubator shaker @ 7.00 Lakh, Muffle furnace encompassing PID Controller with Nitrogen or Argon gas assembly @ 5.00 Lakh, Ultra High Vacuum Pump @ 0.70 Lakh, Hydrothermal setup @ 0.80 Lakh and Micro-centrifuge @ 1.00 Lakh.	1400000.00	100000.00	1500000.00
(vii) Materials & Supplies: (Lab supplies and materials @ 1.00 Lakh, Demonstration models and parts @ 2.00 lakh, Pilot plant @ 1.00 Lakh, Chemical @ 2.00 lakh, Glassware and Plasticware @ 1.63 lakh.	450000.00	318960.00	768960.00
Grand Total	3230960.00	1659920.00	4890880.00

2. The approval of the project is subject to incorporation/compliance with the following project specific remarks/conditions:

- Industry should only be involved as technical and marketing partner.

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Department of Environment, Science Technology & Climate Change
 Paryavaran Bhawan, Near US Club, Shimla-171001

From: - Director (Env. ST&CC) to the
 Government of Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-1.

To

Dr. Ramesh Chand Thakur,
 Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry,
 Himachal Pradesh University,
 Summer Hill Shimla-171005

Dated: Shimla-1. the 19 February, 2024.

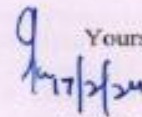
Subject: H.P Specific Research & Development Projects 2023-24 - PAEC Meeting reg.

Sir,

This is in reference to your proposal for sanctioning of R&D Projects submitted to this office. In this regard, it is to inform that your proposal was placed before the PAEC Committee on 18.01.2024 at the Department of Environment, Science Technology & Climate Change, Shimla, Himachal Pradesh and your project entitled "**Synthesis and analysis of green deep eutectic solvent systems for energy storage applications**" has been considered for sanction with a total budget outlay of **Rs. 7,00,000 /-** by the competent authority with certain additional conditions which have been specified in the minutes of meeting. The minutes of meeting are enclosed herewith for you kind information.

It is also to inform you that an agreement of the terms and conditions is required to be signed between your Institution/ University and the Department of Environment, Science Technology & Climate Change, Shimla. The agreement would be signed by the PI, Co-PI and Head of your institution/ University and thereafter by this Department.

Therefore, you are requested to submit an agreement on Stamp Paper of Rs. 100/- (Rs. One Hundred Only) duly signed on every page by PI, Co-PI and Head of your Institution/ University and submit to this office for further signing by the competent authority of the Department of Environment, Science Technology & Climate Change, Shimla as per the notification of the H.P. Specific R&D Projects dated: 20.05.2022 for further necessary action please.

 Yours sincerely,

(D.C. Rana, IAS)
Director

Encl: As above.

Department of Environment, ST&CC
 Himachal Pradesh, Shimla-171001
 Ph. No. 0177-2656559,(dbt-hp@nic.in)



NATIONAL MISSION ON HIMALAYAN STUDIES (NMHS)
G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment (NIHE)

Kosi-Katarmal, Almora - 263643, Uttarakhand, India

Ref. No.: NMHS/2022-23/SG 81/01/280/ 44

Date: 28.07.2023

To,

Dr. Ravi Kant Bhatia
Assistant Professor
Department of Biotechnology
Himachal Pradesh University
Summer Hill, Shimla-171005.

Subject: Release of 1st installment in respect of project titled " **Design and Development of Pine Needle Biochar-infused Microbial Consortia-based Hybrid Bio-Tubes for Effective Treatment of Polluted Water**"-reg.

Sir,

In pursuance to Mountain Division, MoEFCC, New Delhi letter F. No. 05/01/2020-CS-I(Part I) dated 27.07.2023, the approval of the Competent Authority is conveyed for advance release of 1st installment in respect of above-mentioned project for **Rs. 32,30,960/- (Rupees Thirty Two lakh Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty only)** as per the break-up given below:-

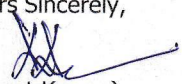
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(i) Professional services: 02 JRF/ Project Associate @Rs.31,000/-+ HRA @ 9% per month for two years.	810960.00
(ii) Training Expenses: It will include expenses/ fees paid to the training institutes and other contingent expenses for participating in the training/ workshop.	50000.00
(iii) Domestic Travel: TA &DA for Expert/Consultant/Project Team	170000.00
(iv) Office Expenses: Contingency expenses maximum up to Rs.2.44 Lakh for two years, Stationary Charges, Hiring Charges of Field Worker and Minor Field Charges.	300000.00
(v) Printing & Publication: E- printing included	50000.00
(vi) Digital Equipment: (Stackable Incubator shaker @ 7.50 Lakh, Muffle furnace encompassing PID Controller with Nitrogen or Argon gas assembly @ 5.00 Lakh, Ultra High Vacuum Pump @ 0.70 Lakh, Hydrothermal setup @ 0.80 Lakh and Micro- centrifuge @ 1.00 Lakh.	1400000.00
(vii) Materials& Supplies: (Lab supplies and materials @ 1.00 Lakh, Demonstration models and parts @ 2.00 lakh, Pilot plant @ 1.00 Lakh, Chemical @ 2.00 lakh, Glassware and Plasticware @ 1.68 lakh.	450000.00
Grand Total	3230960.00

1. The payment sanctioned above is provisional subject to adjustment based on the audited figures of expenditure. Other terms and conditions of the payment are as follows:
 - a. **The fund sanctioned is subject to adjustment on the basis of the terms and conditions under which the project has been approved.**
 - b. **The bill should be submitted with the complete vouchers to submit the adjustment bill subsequently.**
2. Separate ledger is maintained for the purchasing of equipments/Instruments as per the provision of GFRs.
3. Separate account will be maintained for the expenditure made under the project.

4. It may be ensured that the funds released under the project is spent only the project within a reasonable time as stipulated in the approval of Steering Committee.
5. The Evidence of deposit of TDS/Service Tax in case of contract payments and CST in the case of purchase of livable goods.
6. All payments are made through bank transfer and no cash payment shall be made.
7. The expenditure on professional services will be strictly made as per income tax rule and recovery of TDS as applicable will be made and deposited to the IT department.
8. Expenditure on items other than Professional Services is incurred keeping in view the austerity measures issued on the subject, and GFR is followed by the Institute as well as regional office and other agencies receiving funds.
9. The 2nd installment will be considered only after review of progress and the expenditure of 75% of the 1st installment released and on submission of the adjustment account of previous latest UC as per GFR format along with the Statement of Expenditure (item-wise) and signed duly by the Competent Authority. The UC shall also be verified and signed by the Chartered Accountant/Finance Officer along with the cash flow statement.
10. The UC shall be submitted along with up-to-date physical progress report (annual/ half yearly/quarterly) indicating progress made against each objective and quantifiable deliverables, both online on NMHS web portal <http://nmhsportal.org> and offline hardcopy of Annual report via speed post, certified by the authorized person, along with data, photographs/satellite pictures, etc. The audited UC thru third party audit by Authorised Agency/CA is to be submitted annually and with APR.
11. Assets acquired wholly or substantially out of Government grants shall not be disposed of without obtaining the prior approval of the sanctioning authority of Grants-in-aid, and a separate sheet should be enclosed with details of Assets with cost.
12. The accounts of concerned Organization shall be audited by C&AG or by any person/agency authorized by it on its behalf in accordance with the provisions laid down in Section 14 of the C&AG (DPC) Act, 1971 as amended from time-to-time.
13. The internal audit party of the Principal Accounts Office of the Ministry or Department may also inspect the accounts whenever it is called upon to do so.
14. The Grants-in-aid will be spent exclusively in pursuance of the objectives for the project entitled "**Design and Development of Pine Needle Biochar-infused Microbial Consortia-based Hybrid Bio-Tubes for Effective Treatment of Polluted Water**" as given above and for the purpose it is being sanctioned.
15. The Grants-in-aid is subject to the Economy Instruction(s) issued from time-to-time by the Ministry of Finance or by the Competent Authority.
16. On the basis of the Terms and Conditions given in **Annexure-I**, action is being taken up for the drawal of the sanctioned amount of the first installment of the first year's grant during the Financial Year 2022- 23.
17. The sanction of the grant is subject to the whole details with nature of work of this project under "National Mission on Himalayan Studies (NMHS)" clearly mentioned in the website/all knowledge products of the Grantee.
18. The NMHS has become non-scheme of the MoEF&CC w.e.f. 01.04.2023. Therefore a separate saving bank account may kindly be opened in any nationalized bank and same may be mapped into the PFMS under the scheme "National Mission on Himalayan Studies (NMHS), Scheme with new Scheme Code-3493 and agency Unique Code-0125 so that the funds may be released.
19. As per the directive of the Govt. of India, the implementing agency must be registered in **Public Financial Management System (PFMS)**. The all transactions should be done through PFMS portal only for transparency and accountability of govt. grant.
20. The amount of **Rs. 32,30,960/- (Rupees Thirty Two lakh Thirty Thousand Nine Hundred Sixty only)** will be drawn by the Drawing and Disbursing Officer, G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment (GBPNIHE), Kosi-Katarmal, Almora (U.K.) and disbursed to **Dr. Ravi Kant Bhatia Assistant Professor Department of Biotechnology Himachal Pradesh University Summer Hill, Shimla-171005**, into the saving account opened for this purpose.

21. The other terms and conditions will remain same as communicated vide sanction order No. NMHS/2022-23/SG 81/01/280 dated 14.03.2023. However, the start date of the project will be 01.08.2023.

Yours Sincerely,



(Kireet Kumar)

Scientist 'G' & Nodal Officer
NMHS-PMU, GBP NIHE

Copy to:

1. The Registrar, Himachal Pradesh University Summer Hill, Shimla-171005.
2. Shri. R.K. Kodali, Scientist-G, Under Secretary, Mountain Division, (CS-I), Vayu Wing, 2nd Floor, Indira Paryavaran Bhavan Ministry of Environment Forest & Climate Change Govt. of India, Jorbagh Road, New Delhi 110003
3. PS to Director, G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment (GBPNIHE), Kosi-Katarmal, Almora, Uttarakhand-263643
4. Finance Officer, G.B. Pant National Institute of Himalayan Environment (GBPNIHE), Kosi-Katarmal, Almora, Uttarakhand-263643.
5. The Principal Director of Audit, Scientific Department, AGCR Building, IP Estate, New-Delhi-110002.
6. Database team, NMHS-PMU
7. Guard File – NMHS.



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SANCTION ORDER

F. No. ICSSR/RPD/MN/2023-24/G/89

Dated. 16.02.2024

To,
The Registrar
Himachal Pradesh University
Shimla - 171005, Himachal Pradesh

Subject:	Sanction of Minor Research Project entitled “Empowerment of Women Through Manufacturing and Marketing of Handicraft and Handloom Products: A Case Study of Himachal Pradesh” to Dr. Sapna Kumari under ICSSR Research Projects 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 “**Empowerment of Women Through Manufacturing and Marketing of Handicraft and Handloom Products: A Case Study of Himachal Pradesh**” submitted by **Dr. Sapna Kumari** 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.624000/-** for the above research project and the grant will be released as follows:

First instalment (50 % of the awarded grant)	Rs.312000/-
Second instalment (40 % of the awarded grant)	Rs.249600/-
Final instalment (10 % of the awarded grant)	Rs.62400/-
Total	<u>Rs.624000/-</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.46800/-

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. Sapna Kumari**, 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)
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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.

Copy to:

1. ✓ **Dr. Sapna Kumari**
Assisnat Professor
Department of Public Aministration
Himachal Pradesh University
Shimla - 171005 Himachal Pradesh
2. **Dr. Baldev Singh Negi**
Project Officer-cum-Faculty
Rural Development
Department of Interdisciplinary Studies-IIHS
Shimla - 171005 Himachal Pradesh
3. **Finance Branch, ICSSR, New Delhi**
4. **Record file**



H.P. Council for Science, Technology & Environment (HIMCOSTE)

Vigyan Bhawan, Bemloe, Shimla-171001

(Phone 0177-2656489, Fax 0177-2814923) Website: <http://himcoste.hp.gov.in>

No. STC(F)-8-1/2022 -1664

Dated: 20-12-2023

To

✓ **Dr. Balbir Singh (PI)**
Assistant Professor
Department of Physics
H.P. University, Summer Hill Shimla
Distt. Shimla-171005

Sub: Sanction Order for 'HP Specific Research & Development Projects 2023-24'

Sir/Madam,

H.P. Council for Science, Technology & Environment (HIMCOSTE) is pleased to inform you that your project proposal titled "Synthesis and characterization of cathode materials in Li-ion and Na-ion batteries for more energy efficient systems" amounting to Rs.6,70,000/- (Rupees Six Lakh Seventy Thousand only) for a duration of two years from the date of sanction has been approved for financial support (2 years).

Please find enclosed herewith the **Sanction Order** for the project proposal submitted by you to HIMCOSTE Shimla. Kindly send your consent and acknowledge the receipt through hard copy and also email @kaulmanoj7@yahoo.com immediately. Notification containing Guidelines, T&C, Agreement etc. for funding R&D Projects has been uploaded on website for your kind information please.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely

Sat Pal Dhiman
Joint Member Secretary
HIMCOSTE, Shimla

Dated:

Endst No. STC(F)-8-1/2022-

Copy forwarded for information and necessary action to:

Vice Chancellor, Himachal Pradesh University, Summer Hill, Shimla-1.

Sat Pal Dhiman
Joint Member Secretary
HIMCOSTE, Shimla



H.P. Council for Science, Technology & Environment (HIMCOSTE)

Vigyan Bhawan, Bemloe, Shimla-171001

(Phone 0177-2656489, Fax 0177-2814923) Website: <http://himcoste.hp.gov.in>

No. STC(F)-8-1/2022 - 1634

Dated: 20-12-2023

To

✓
Dr. Balbir Singh (PI)
Assistant Professor
Department of Physics
H.P. University, Summer Hill Shimla
Distt. Shimla-171005

Dr. Raj Kumar (Co-PI)

Sub: HP Specific Research & Development Projects 2023-24-Sanction Order

Sir/Madam,

Sanction of the H.P. Council for Science, Technology & Environment (HIMCOSTE) is hereby accorded to the research project titled "Synthesis and characterization of cathode materials in Li-ion and Na-ion batteries for more energy efficient systems" at a total cost of Rs.6,70,000/- (Rupees Six Lakh Seventy Thousand only) for a duration of two years from the date of sanction. The items of expenditure for which the total allocation of Rs.6,70,000/- has been approved for a period of two years, are given below:

S.No.	Head	Budget Allocation (2 Years) by HIMCOSTE
1.	Remuneration (Rs.) Project Associate/JRF/SRF – 1 No. @Rs.20,000/- PM	480000/-
2.	Consumables	80000/-
3.	Travel	50000/-
4.	Other Costs	60000/-
Total Cost (Rs.)		6,70,000/-

NOTE:

(a) If the Institute/ Organisation or/and Principal Investigator (PI) agrees to execute the project as per the budget mentioned above and according to guidelines, terms and conditions, agreement etc. stated in notification, kindly send ONE (1) copy of the final project proposal duly filled up; signed & stamped and approved by the Head of the Institution/ Organisation WITH CONSENT to the HIMCOSTE within 20 days positively.

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(b) You are also requested to send Bank Account Details, IFSC/RTGS Code & emails of Head of the Institution or the DDO/Accounts Officer through details as provided below wherever the grant is to be transferred:-

Particulars	Head of the Institution	DDO/Account Officer
Account Name		
Account Number		
Bank Name & Branch		
IFSC/RTGS Code		

(c) The grant will be regulated in accordance with the provisions contained in the guidelines, terms & conditions for 'HP Specific Research & Development Projects 2023-24' and other related instructions of the HIMCOSTE. The Grant is also subject to the HP General Financial Rules, as amended from time to time after sanctioning of the project.

(d) Scheduled Caste Areas:

- Research & Development Project would be implemented in Scheduled Caste concentration areas which should wholly or partially benefit the SC families.
- Either the villages having 40% or more SC population or villages having 90 SC persons or more are to be selected. Identification of most appropriate villages have to be carved out of the latest Census data (2011-CENSUS by Directorate of SCs/OBCs & Minority Affairs, H.P.) published District/ Tehsil wise.

(e) You are also requested to submit a **Stamp Paper of Rs. 100/-** (Rs. One Hundred Only) with 5-6 extra non-judicial paper for signing the agreement between your Institution/ University and the HIMCOSTE Shimla. The agreement would be required to be signed by PI, Co-PI and Head of your Institution/University, thereafter by HIMCOSTE and submit to this office for further necessary action please.


Joint Member Secretary
HIMCOSTE, Shimla
20-12-2023

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SANCTION ORDER

F. No.ICSSR/RPD/MJ/2023-24/G/154

Dated: 30.12.2023

To,
The Registrar
Himachal Pradesh University,
Shimla, Himachal Pradesh-171 005

Subject:	Sanction of Research Project entitled "Breaking Barriers: Examining the Progress of Women Entrepreneurs in Himachal Pradesh through Government Interventions and Women's Empowerment Groups at Grass root Level" to Dr. Shiv Kumar Dogra under ICSSR Research Projects (Major) 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 "**Breaking Barriers: Examining the Progress of Women Entrepreneurs in Himachal Pradesh through Government Interventions and Women's Empowerment Groups at Grass root Level**" submitted by **Dr. Shiv Kumar Dogra** 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.15,00,000/- (Rupees Fifteen Lacs Only)** for the above research project and the grant will be released as follows:

First instalment (50 % of the awarded grant)	Rs.7,50,000 /-
Second instalment (20 % of the awarded grant)	Rs.3,00,000 /-
Third instalment (20 % of the awarded grant)	Rs.3,00,000 /-
Final instalment (10 % of the awarded grant)	Rs.1,50,000 /-
Total	<u>Rs.15,00,000 /-</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.1,00,000 /-

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. 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** (20% from the total awarded grant) is released after receiving a satisfactory twelve months Progress Report. Simple Statement of Accounts with 60% and above utilisation of the first instalment amount, one published research paper in the peer reviewed journal along with grant-in-aid bill towards the second instalment.

8. **The Third Instalment** (20% 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, second published research paper (total 2 papers during the project period) in the peer reviewed journal duly acknowledging ICSSR, similarity index score sheet (maximum allowed 10 %), simple statement of accounts of second instalment along with grant-in-aid bill towards the third 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.
9. **Fourth 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, the 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. needs to be submitted. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. The Director of the research project will be **Dr. Shiv Kumar Dogra**, who will be responsible for its completion within **24 Months** from the date of commencement of the project, which is **15th January 2024** as intimated by the scholar.
14. 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.
15. 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.
16. 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.
17. The expenditure on this account is debatable to the **Budget Head-ICSSR (Scheme Code 0877); OH 31.09 Research Projects.**
18. 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.
19. 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.
20. 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

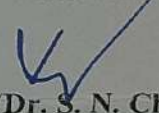
Chancellor/Head of the Institution and (4) Head of the Department)/Dean of relevant faculty duly approved by the competent authority.

21. 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)

22. For all field work related expenses of Project Director, Co-Director and project personnel, rules pertaining to affiliating institutes shall be followed.
23. 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.
24. Purchase of equipment/ assets for the research Project is permissible only if it is originally proposed and approved by the ICSSR.

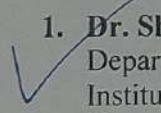
Yours faithfully,


(Dr. S. N. Chari)

For MEMBER-SECRETARY

Encl: as above.

Copy to:

1.  **Dr. Shiv Kumar Dogra, Professor**
Department of Law and Director,
Institute of Legal Studies,
Himachal Pradesh University,
Shimla, Himachal Pradesh-171 005
2. **Co-PD**
Dr. Seema Thakur, Project Officer
Centre for Women's Studies and Development,
Himachal Pradesh University,
Shimla, Himachal Pradesh-171 005
3. **Co-PD**
Dr. Jeewan Jyoti, Assistant Professor
Laureate Institute of Education and Training,
Upper Bharari, Shimla,
Himachal Pradesh- 171003
4. **Finance Branch, ICSSR, New Delhi**
5. **Record file**

Date- 01/08/2024

To

The Project Director,
ICSSR Research Project,
Department of Laws,
Himachal Pradesh University,
Shimla.

Subject: Joining Letter for the Position of Research Assistant.

Respected Sir,

I Ruby Chaudhary do hereby accept the offer of appointment of **Research Assistant** in ICSSR sponsored research project titled "*Examining the Progress of Women Entrepreneurs in Himachal Pradesh through Government Interventions and Women's Empowerment Groups at Grass Root Level*", issued to me Vide Letter No. **ICSSR/HPU/LAW(M)2023-2024/9**, dated **31/07/2024** according to the terms and condition mentioned in the letter. I am pleased to inform you that I am joining Position of Research Assistant in the project from **01/08/2024** onwards. I am eager to contribute to the research objectives and to work under your esteemed guidance to ensure the successful completion of the project.

Thank you once again for this opportunity.

Yours sincerely,

Name – Ruby Chaudhary.

Ph.D Research Scholar,
Dept of Laws,
HPU,
Shimla.

Joining Accepting
Research Assist is directed to start
the Research work

w.e.b 1/8/24
1/8/24

Prof. Shiv Kumar Dogra
PROJECT DIRECTOR
ICSSR, MAJOR RESEARCH PROJECT

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Dr. Richa Sharma
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SANCTION ORDER

F.No. 270/CRP-2023-380/NEP20/SCD

Dated: 20-09-2023

To,

The Principal
M.S.P. Mandal's Deogiri College, Aurangabad
Maharashtra, 431005

Subject: Sanction of **Short-term Empirical Research Project (Collaborative/Individual)** entitled "**NEP-2020 and its Implications Realized in Vocational Programs Under NSQF**" to **Dr. Vishnu Wamanrao Patil, M.S.P. Mandal's Deogiri College, Aurangabad.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

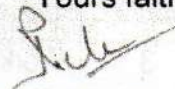
1. The Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) has approved the award of "**NEP-2020 and its Implications Realized in Vocational Programs Under NSQF**" the above Research Project submitted by **Dr. Vishnu Wamanrao Patil** of your Institution.
2. The study, as proposed by the researcher, is 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** 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.

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:

1. Dr. Vishnu Wamanrao Patil
Director of IQAC, Deogiri College Campus, Station Road
Aurangabad
Maharashtra 431005
2. Dr. Arun Guleria (Project Director)
Department of English
Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla
3. Dr. Loveleen Kaur (Project Director)
DAV College, Amritsar
Katra Sher Singh, I/S Hathi Gate, Amritsar, Punjab-143001
4. Dr. R A F Ajith (Project Director)
Govt. Arts and Science College
Punnai Nagar, Nagercoil – 629004, Tamil Nadu
5. Dr. Ipsita Bhattacharya (Project Director)
DHSK Commerce College, Near Running shed gate
Kadamoni, PO-Dibrugarh- 786001
6. Dr. Neelam Kumari (Project Director)
Kisan P.G College, Simbhaoli, Hapur
Uttar Pradesh- 245207
7. Finance Branch, ICSSR, New Delhi
8. Record file



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For MEMBER-SECRETARY



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SANCTION ORDER

F.No. 33/CIS-2023-727/SBA/SCD

Dated: 26-09-2023

To,
Registrar
Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla
Himachal Pradesh, 171005

Subject: Sanction of **Short-term Empirical Research Project (Collaborative/Individual)** entitled “**An Empirical Assessment of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan with special reference to Waste Management in Shimla, Himachal Pradesh**” to **Dr. Ashok Kumar Bansal, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla**

Dear Sir/Madam,

1. The Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) has approved the award of **An Empirical Assessment of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan with special reference to Waste Management in Shimla, Himachal Pradesh**” the above Research Project submitted by **Dr. Ashok Kumar Bansal** 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. 475000/-** for the above research project and the grant will be released as follows:

First instalment (50 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid)	: Rs. 237500
Second instalment (25 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid)	: Rs. 118750/-
Final instalment (25 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid)	: Rs. 118750
Total	: Rs. 475000/-
Overhead charges over and above	
7.5% or maximum Rs.1,00,000	: Rs. 35625/-

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. Ashok Kumar Bansal**, 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.**
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. Ashok Kumar Bansal**
Assistant Professor, MBA, ICDEOL,
Himachal Pradesh University,
Summer Hill, Shimla
Himachal Pradesh 171005
2. Finance Branch, ICSSR, New Delhi
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(Sd/- Dr. Richa Sharma)
For MEMBER-SECRETARY

PROJECT BUDGET

Title: An Empirical Assessment of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan with special reference to Waste Management in Shimla, Himachal Pradesh

By: Dr. Ashok Kumar Bansal

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); (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

No.TPT-LA(55)Training/Pilot survey Parwanoo-Shimla/23 14585
Directorate of Transport
Himachal Pradesh

To

✓
Dr. Anjna Thakur
(Co-Investigator)
Assistant Professor
H.P. University, Shimla

Dated: the Shimla

4/ November, 2023

Subject:- Sanction of project entitled "Road Safety Awareness and Community Response: A Baseline Survey of Establishments Located on Parwanoo-Shimla National Highway.

Sir/Madam

The Department of Transport, Himachal Pradesh considered and accepts the above Research Project submitted by Dr. Anjna Thakur, Assistant Professor, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla. The sanctioned amount for this project is ₹ 10,58,000/-.

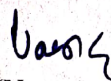
It is suggested that the students of Master's of Social Work (MSW) from Himachal Pradesh University whom the Transport Department had trained on Road Safety on 13th October, 2023 at Sangti, Shimla be associated with this project. As proposed in the project proposal, the documentary should be of not more than 10-12 minutes and covering all the aspects of the project.

The departmental officer Mrs Banita Kumari, Dy. Director, Education (Mobile No. 94181-90033) will monitor the entire project process and will also be the contact point. The project be completed within the stipulated time period and funds sanctioned.

The funds will be released in following installments:-

- i. Advance/mobilization : 50%
- ii. On submission of Draft Report : 30%
- iii. On submission of Final Report : 20%

Yours Faithfully,


(Naresh Thakur) HAS
Addl. Commissioner Transport
Lead Agency/Road Safety Cell
Himachal Pradesh

Endst. No. A/A

Dated:

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SANCTION ORDER

Dated: 19-09-2023

F.No. 57/CRP-2023-93/AMRUT/SCD

To,
The Director
Institute of Vocational Studies
Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla
Himachal Pradesh 171005

Subject: Sanction of **Short-term Empirical Research Project (Collaborative/Individual)** entitled **"AMRUT Initiative: A Comprehensive Review of Implementation and Outcomes in select areas of Himachal Pradesh"** to Dr. Nitin, Himachal Pradesh University, Shimla

Dear Sir/Madam,

1. The Indian Council of Social Science Research (ICSSR) has approved the award of **"AMRUT Initiative: A Comprehensive Review of Implementation and Outcomes in select areas of Himachal Pradesh"** the above Research Project submitted by Dr. Nitin 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. 1300000/-** for the above research project and the grant will be released as follows:

First instalment (50 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid)

: Rs. 650000/-

Second instalment (25 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid)

: Rs. 325000/-

Final instalment (25 % of sanctioned grant-in-aid)

: Rs. 325000/-

Total

: Rs. 1300000/-

Overhead charges over and above

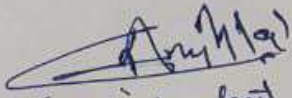
7.5% or maximum Rs.1,00,000

Rs. 97500/-

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.

3.2.2 Grants for research projects sponsored by the government agencies during the year (INR in Lakhs)

Name of the Department/ Institute/ Centre	Name of the Scheme/Project/ Endowments/ Chairs	Name of the Principal Investigator/ Co Investigator (if applicable)	Name of the Funding agency	Type (Government/N on-Government)	Department	Year of Award	Funds provided (INR in lakhs)	Duration of the project
AERC.HPU	PM.Kisan Samman Nidhi (i)		0 Gol, Ministry of	GOI	MOA	2023-24	4235958	one year
	Natural Farming Crop Prod. (ii)		Agricultre					
	PMFBY/RWBCIS (iii)							
	An Empirical Study of Farming							
	Communities Developmnet							
	Under Aspiration Districts pro							
	of India(IV)							


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