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**Policy  
for  
Seed Money Research Projects**

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## INTRODUCTION

Research and Development is a systematic activity of basic and applied research to discover a solution for problems faced by society or creating new products and knowledge. It may result in the form of IP-research, publications, patents and copyright etc.

The university provides seed research grant to the faculty members under different areas of research to motivate their ideas which may lead to bigger projects/programs to be sent to National/ International funding agencies.

## PURPOSE

- To support and enhance the research capabilities of the faculty for the generation of proposal to apply for Govt./Pvt. Funded research projects.
- To motivate the faculty members and enhance their research activities.

## OBJECTIVE

The objective of the scheme is to prepare a platform to accelerate the possibility of applying high value projects for the financial support from external agencies in the future. The applicant must clearly and convincingly demonstrate that the proposed project represents a new research direction in an area likely to generate external funding.

## SCOPE OF THE POLICY

1. This policy is to encourage the faculty members to propagate their innovative ideas through Seed Research Proposals, which can be further translated in to major research projects and submitted to the external agencies for funding.

  
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2. Faculty members (Assistant and Associate Professor only), who have completed their probation period and having a Ph.D. degree are eligible to apply for the same.
3. The faculty should be rewarded the seed project financial support once only during the tenure at University as Principal Investigator (PI). Co-PI can also be there in Interdisciplinary projects.
4. Normally, one faculty member only from the same department should be considered as PI or Co-PI.
5. The provision of seed money grant is for a maximum period of two years. In case of any delay in the projects, it is expected from PI/Co-PI to take the extension of the project from Dean Research and update the Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC) accordingly.
6. Normally, a grant up to Rs 2 Lakh may be rewarded based on the merit of the proposal and decision of the committee nominated by Vice Chancellor, SAU. However, there should be no such ceiling for cutting edge research & development work based on its necessity and availability of funds.
7. The expert guidance of Professors, Distinguished Professors, Professor Emeritus, Visiting Professors as per their expertise is expected as a Mentor in these projects.
8. It is expected out from PI/Co-PI to timely submit the utilization certificate to the office of Director Research and Internal Quality Assurance Cell (IQAC).
9. Director Research should review and monitor the progress of the sanctioned project periodically and submit the report to the Vice Chancellor and IQAC.
10. After completion of the seed project, the final report must be prepared as per the prescribed format and submitted to the office of Director Research and IQAC for record purpose.

  
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## FORMAT FOR SUBMISSION OF SEED FUND PROJECT

1. Title of the Project
2. Name & Designation of the PI, Dept and School, E-Mail & Mob number
3. Name & Designation of Co-PIs, Dept. & School for Interdisciplinary Research Project (Not more than one Co-PI), E-Mail & Mob number
4. Experience of PI&CO-PI (Not more than one page)
5. Cost of the Project (Rs. in Lakh):
6. PDC (Probable Date of completion) in Months (Normally 1 Year):
7. Introduction
8. Global Status of the theme area of the project (Not more than one page)
9. National Status of the theme area of the project (Not more than one page)
10. Gaps identified
11. Bridging the Gaps
12. Objectives
13. Methodology

  
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14. Timeline linked activity chart

Sr. No.	Activity	0-3M	4-6M	7-9M	9-12M	Remarks
1.						
2.						
3.						
4.						
5.						

15. Breakup of Cost

Sr. No.	Equipment/Expandable item/Activity	Cost (Rs.)
1.		
2.		
3.		
4.		
5.		

16. Expected Outcome

17. Future plan to submit a major project to any funding agency (Should be submitted immediately after completion of Seed Fund Project)

18. Selected References

(Name & Signatures of PI)  
Dated:

(Name & Signatures of Co-PI, if any)  
Dated:

Forwarding of Head of Department

Recommendation of Dean of the School

  
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